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FOREWORD

THE HOUSTON PRESS CLUB herewith presents a book of photographs and life sketches of business and professional men of Houston and environs—men who are performing their share in the world's work. Our purpose, rather than to give any citizen or enterprise an undue amount of publicity, is to provide for metropolitan newspaper libraries throughout the country a work of reference on Houston citizens.

All vital facts in the biographies have been furnished by the subjects themselves; so that this book is as nearly correct as anything of the sort ever published.

The Houston Press Club

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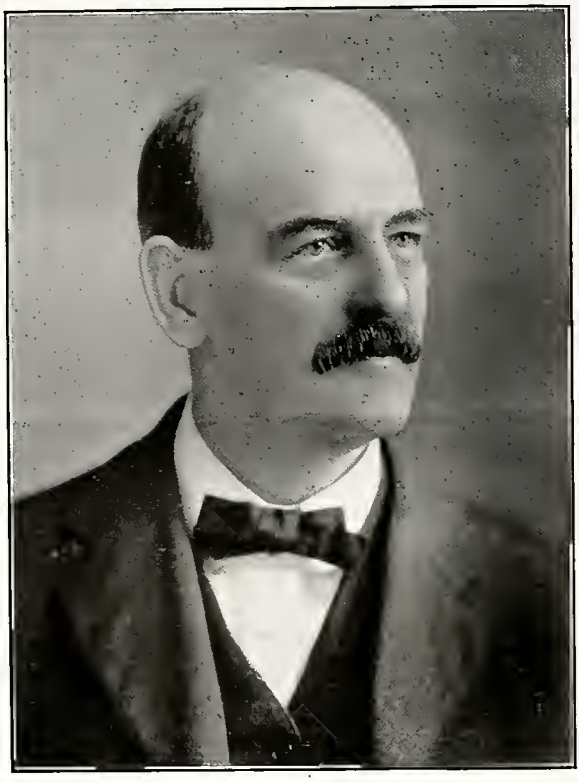

HARRY T. WARNER
PRESIDENT HOUSTON PRESS CLUB

HARRY T. WARNER, first and incumbent president of the Houston Press Club, managing editor of the Houston Post, was born at Montgomery, Alabama, and at an early age was brought by his parents to Texas; entered the newspaper business at 12 years of age at Austin, Texas, as a galley boy on the Austin Statesman (1882); served his time as a printer; made a tour of the principal cities of Texas and of the East and then became connected with the editorial department of the Houston Post, with which paper he has remained in various managerial capacities for twenty years. Is remarked for his tolerance of all men's views on all subjects, reserving to himself the right to think on all things as he sees fit; a conservative Democrat who believes that "times change but principles do not." A member of the Rotary Club and the Lumbermens Club. Chairman of the Texas-Oklahoma-Arkansas circuit of the Associated Press.

The Houston Press Club

WHAT IT IS AND WHY

THE HOUSTON PRESS CLUB was organized in August of 1912 by the working newspaper men of Houston, upon the initiative taken by one of the best known of their number, Everett Lloyd, who became the first secretary. The Club now has over 300 active and associate members, is on a sound financial footing. Within the year it will remove to permanent quarters, comfortably furnished as a club should be. It is at present housed in the Prince Theatre Building.

The purposes in forming the Club were to afford a comfortable and permanent rendezvous where newspaper workers should find rest, relaxation and recreation, and meet the associate members, their friends and acquaintances of the business and professional world; to promote friendliness and fellowship among all of these; to extend the hospitality of their quarters for the holding of incidental meetings of unhoused organizations; to entertain visiting persons of note who pass through the city; to spread the fame of Houston and bear a hand in the work of making Houston in size and business importance, as well as in culture and the arts, one of the first American cities.

These aims have shaped the success to which the club has attained, these inspirations will hold it closely together and assure its far greater success in the future. With the city of its birth, it will grow exceeding and prosper.

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CHARLES B. GILLESPIE
FIRST VICE PRESIDENT HOUSTON PRESS CLUB

CHARLES BOWEN GILLESPIE, first vice-president of the Houston Press Club, managing editor of the Houston Chronicle; born December 17, 1872, at Forney, Texas; in his youth became editor of the Forney (Texas) Tribune, and in that relatively obscure position made his force as a newspaper man felt. As managing editor of the Chronicle he has done his best to foster modern journalism in Houston and to make the Chronicle one of the breeziest and best known dailies in the Southwest. An indefatiable worker and a man of incessant originality in his methods of work, he has the genius of allying his subordinates to him in the carrying out of his ideas. Is interested financially in several Houston industries. Member of various clubs and fraternal organizations.

PAUL C. EDWARDS

PAUL C. EDWARDS, vice-president of the Houston Press Club and editor of the Houston Press, was born February 11, 1882, at Knightsville, Indiana. After graduating from the Indianapolis High School removed to California and entered Leland Stanford University; graduated in English, class of 1906. Throughout his university term acted as college correspondent for San Francisco newspapers, also edited a college magazine. Upon graduating went to San Francisco and joined staff of the San Francisco Call, later changing to the San Francisco Bulletin and finally to the San Francisco Daily News, this being his first association with the Scripps-McRae league of newspapers. Came to Houston in September of 1911 and established the Houston Press for the Scripps-McRae league and became editor of that paper. October 27, 1910, married Miss Georgiana Lyman at Fort Smith, Ark. Mr. Edwards' work as an editor is marked by fearlessness and persistence in attacking such public acts, policies and conditions as he deems contrary to the interests of the common people.

JAMES RICHARD MONTGOMERY
TREASURER HOUSTON PRESS CLUB

JAMES RICHARD MONTGOMERY, treasurer of the Houston Press Club, general manager of the Houston Free Telegram, was born at Hempstead, Texas, October 7, 1879; educated in the public schools, and first entered newspaper work with the Smithville (Texas) Transcript; resigned his position to enlist in the Emmett Rifles of Houston, and later in Company B, First Texas Volunteer Infantry, and saw service in the Cuban War; was mustered out at Galveston and enlisted in Company C, Thirty-third United States Volunteers, and served with his regiment in the Philippines and China. Returning to Texas, he was two years in the employment of the Southern Pacific Railroad at Beaumont; resigned to re-enter newspaper work with the Galveston News; a year later was appointed staff correspondent of the Galveston-Dallas News and placed in charge of the Houston bureau; resigned December, 1912, to become general manager of the Houston Free Telegram.

PAUL H. SHELDON
SECRETARY AND BUSINESS MANAGER HOUSTON PRESS CLUB

PAUL HENRY SHELDON, secretary and business manager of the Houston Press Club, railroad editor of the Houston Chronicle; born September 14, 1888, at Topeka, Kansas; educated in the Kansas and St. Louis, Mo., public schools and at Drury Academy, Springfield, Mo. Removed to Texas, making his home successively at Galveston and Beaumont, then coming to Houston. Has served in staff capacities with the Galveston News and Houston Chronicle; succeeded Everett Lloyd, first secretary of the Press Club.

HOUSTON

City With A Future

SITUATED, as it is, in the very midst of the greatest agricultural country of the world, and surrounded by resources of a character that call for further development, Houston certainly can be classed as a city with a wonderful future before it. Houston has come to be known as a great railroad center, with its seventeen railroads meeting an arm of the sea, and it is considered the banner city of the great Empire State—Texas.

Though comparatively young, Houston did not begin to reach the development stage until the year 1905, when the commission plan of government supplanted the old aldermanic form. It was the second city in the United States to adopt that form of municipal government, and so successful has it proved that many other cities throughout the country have followed in its footsteps.

Houston has a population of 100,000, including its thickly populated suburbs, and covers a territory of 36 square miles. Its property valuations have reached the $100,000,000 mark. The city's tax rate is the lowest of any city in the State.

In the year 1912 Houston gained fame for itself by accepting a proposition of the United States government for the improvement of its waterway. When the National government agreed to appropriate $1,250,000 toward improving the Houston ship channel if an equal amount was contributed by the city, Houston immediately came forward with its share and work was started within six months on the channel that will give to the city water transportation equal to that of any Gulf port.

Houston's system of public schools is considered the best in Texas, and in order to relieve the congestion caused by the rapid development of the city bonds to the extent of $1,000,000 were voted in 1912 for the building of additional and more modern school structures.

Since the adoption of the commission form of government Houston has progressed with wonderful strides. Municipal improvements have been made along all lines and every department of the city government has been placed on a businesslike basis. Instead of always being involved in a political fight the city employes are attentive to their duties.

Many miles of streets have been paved since the commission plan was adopted, miles of cement walks have been laid, parks have been platted and permanent bridges constructed in all sections of the city.

One of the greatest achievements of the city was that of the construction of the Main street viaduct at a cost of half a million dollars, connecting the north and south ends of the city and bringing about a different feeling between the citizens of those sections.

As an educational city Houston has been brought into prominence by the William M. Rice Institute. Work on the construction of the buildings of this institute was begun in 1911 and the first session of the institute was opened in 1912. To maintain this school of learning an endowment fund equal to $10,000,000 was set aside by the late William Marsh Rice, and in time to come it is expected that this institute will be classed among the greatest in the country.

Houston has some of the most magnificent churches to be found anywhere in the country, of all denominations; many newspapers and periodicals, daily, weekly and monthly; many miles of underground drainage, water mains, gas mains, street railway trackage and other public utility necessities.

The hotel accommodations of Houston are classed among the best to be found in the United States. With the completion of the 18-story Rice Hotel building in 1913 the city was given seven of the largest hotels in the State. Besides these hotels there are numerous small hotels, and apartment houses by the score.

Factories are being added almost daily to Houston's already large list of manufacturing establishments, and with the facilities that are afforded, coupled with cheap fuel and cheap transportation rates, Houston is destined to become a city of many manufacturing plants.

Railroad rates to Houston, when compared with those to other cities, are exceedingly cheap, and within the very doors of Houston may be obtained fuel oil, assuring to factories cheap fuel. Besides, the transportation facilities, both rail and water, are available to almost every tract of land suitable for factory purposes.

Houston leads all cities in Texas in the way of bank deposits. At the close of the year 1912 the deposits of six National banks, alone, reached the grand total of $45,000,000, which was considered a wonderful showing of the prosperous condition of the country surrounding this city.

In Houston the government has constructed a Federal building at an outlay of approximately $500,000, while the county government built a courthouse costing $500,000, which has no equal in the State.

Within a radius of 200 miles there are hundreds of small cities and towns that depend almost entirely upon Houston for their supplies and from each of which Houston draws its share of business.

BEN S. CAMPBELL

Ben S. Campbell, senior member of the law firm of Campbell, Sewall & Myer, and Mayor of Houston, was born in Montgomery County, Alabama, July 27, 1858, son of Dr. F. Campbell and Mrs. Gabriella Campbell. Educated in the public schools of Walker County, Alabama; studied law in the offices of Abercrombie & Randolph, Huntsville, Ala.; admitted to the bar in 1882. County Attorney of Walker County 1884-1886; District Attorney of the Twelfth Judicial District of Alabama 1886-1890; retired in 1890 from public office and entered into law partnership with Thomas H. Ball (now of Andrews, Ball & Streetman—Houston) under firm name of Campbell & Ball, in Huntsville. Dissolved partnership and came to Houston 1893; same year became member law firm of Hutcheson, Campbell & Sears (now Hutcheson, Hutcheson & Hutcheson); retired from firm with Sears, and two years ago became member of firm of Campbell, Sewall & Myer. 1913 elected Mayor of Houston, receiving 5,300 of the 8,000 votes cast. Married Miss Ella Smithers of Huntsville in 1883; they have six children, four sons and two daughters. Mayor Campbell is a Thirty-second degree Mason.

JUDGE LEWIS FISHER

Lewis Fisher, lawyer, Mayor of Galveston, vice-president of the Trans-Mississippi Congress, and city builder; a native of Austin, Texas, and was educated in the State grade schools and at the University of Texas; admitted to the bar 1895; a Democrat; City Attorney of Galveston, then County Judge of the Tenth Judicial District, before being elected Mayor. Is famed as the Mayor who did most in office to build up Galveston, having exerted himself to the utmost to obtain for his city its three principal achievements—the sea wall, grade-raising and the causeway. Occupied office of County Judge throughout period of building of sea wall; has entered vigorously into city's campaign for a proportionate share of the trade of Latin America; gave Galveston her surfside park and an adequate Municipal auditorium. Is a member of the Galveston Artillery, an Elk and a Mason.

R. M. JOHNSTON

R. M. JOHNSTON, editor of the Houston Post, was born at Sandersville, Georgia, September 9, 1850, and received a common school education at Bainbridge in that State. Early in life he entered a printing shop, and learned the printing business from the ground up. He enlisted in the Confederate army during the Civil War, serving two years until the surrender of Lee at Appomatox, returning after the war to newspaper work.

He was married at Jacksonville, Florida, in 1875, to Miss Mary E. Parsons, and in 1878 moved to Texas. After a brief time spent in Crockett and Corsicana he settled in Austin, where he was connected with the Statesman for a number of years. He later acted as Austin correspondent for the Houston Post, and when a new company was formed in 1885 to take over that paper he became its editor-in-chief.

Colonel Johnston has always been an exponent of that larger development which fosters the agricultural and industrial interests of this State. In politics he was always a loyal Democrat, serving for years as National Committeeman from Texas. This service met its just reward when, upon the resignation of Senator Joseph W. Bailey, Mr. Johnston was appointed by Governor Colquitt to fill the unexpired term.

He is a member of various clubs, both in Houston and other cities at home and abroad, and is known from one end of the country to the other.

Though frequently solicited to offer himself for some of the higher political offices, Mr. Johnston, except in the two instances above mentioned, has invariably declined.

MARCELLUS E. FOSTER
PRESIDENT OF HOUSTON CHRONICLE

MARCELLUS ELLIOTT FOSTER, president of the Houston Chronicle, was born November 29, 1870, at Pembroke, Christian County, Kentucky, and at the age of three years was brought to Huntsville, Texas, where his parents still reside.

When only twelve years of age, he was a printer's devil on the old Huntsville Item, then under the management of George Robinson Sr., where he learned the rudiments of the newspaper business, setting type, washing rollers, and pulling the Washington hand-press.

After graduating from the Sam Houston Normal Institute of Huntsville, and after a short course of study at the University of Texas, Mr. Foster put into effect his determination to learn the newspaper business in a larger city.

In 1892 he came to Houston and obtained a position on the Houston Post as reporter at $10.00 per week. He soon became known through his work as commercial editor of the Post, and later as Sunday editor, editor of the Weekly Post, and general editorial writer. The twenty-eighth year of his age found him occupying the position of managing editor of that journal—probably the youngest managing editor of any paper of like importance in the country.

When the oil boom struck Texas with the opening up of Spindle Top, Mr. Foster, aided by his accurate knowledge of markets and marketing, made a few thousand dollars in oil-land speculation, and October 14, 1901, he established the Houston Chronicle, which from a six-page sheet has grown to its present metropolitan size and influence, with the finest newspaper plant and office building in the entire South.

Mr. Foster is interested in various industrial, commercial and financial enterprises in the city of his career. He is a member of the Elks, the Houston Club, Houston Country Club, Thalian Club, Lumbermans Club, Rotary Club, Aderaft Club and the Houston Press Club.

JOHN T. SCOTT
BANKER

JOHN THADDEUS SCOTT, vice-president and active manager of the First National Bank of Houston, was born in Camden, Mississippi, October 10, 1870.

Mr. Scott's life has been one of action. He came to Houston twenty-six years ago, and has made this city his place of residence ever since. He obtained his education in the public schools and in a commercial business college, and started his business career at the age of sixteen as bookkeeper for a wholesale drug house.

On January 1, 1893, he accepted the position of general bookkeeper of the First National Bank of this city. He filled various offices in this institution, including those of assistant cashier and cashier, until he was finally made vice-president.

Aside from his banking connection Mr. Scott is active in other lines of endeavor. He is treasurer of the Great Southern Life Insurance Company, president of the Tyler County Lumber Company, president of the Eureka Ice Company, vice-president of the Oriental Textile Mills, and Secretary-treasurer of the Houston Stockyards Company. For efficient service as a Houston citizen Mr. Scott stands second to none.

He is a member of the Houston Club, the Thalian Club, and the Houston Country Club, and is a Democrat.

He was married on June 7, 1893, to Miss Mattie Campbell, and four children are the result of the union.

S. F. CARTER
BANKER

SAMUEL FAIN CARTER, president of the Lumbermans National Bank, was born near Huntsville, Ala., September 14, 1857; removed to Texas at an early age and settled at Sherman; educated common schools of Sherman; engaged in newspaper work from 1872 to 1881; married Miss Carrie E. Banks at Galveston, January 23, 1882; has four children, three daughters and one son; his daughter, Miss Anna Vieve Carter, was Queen of the No-Tsu-Oh Carnival in 1911; removed to Houston 1892; organized Emporia Lumber Company, which he successfully conducted for 15 years; organized Lumbermans National Bank in 1907; elected first president, which position he still holds; prominent in social, philanthropic and financial life of Houston; owner and builder of Houston's finest and largest office building—the 16-story Carter Building, said to be most modern structure in the South; stockholder in several corporations and actively identified with numerous public enterprises; member of various social and business clubs.

JO. S. RICE
BANKER

JO. S. RICE, president of the Union National Bank and an officer or director in many of Houston's chief financial, commercial and industrial concerns, was born at Houston, Texas, 1855, of an old and prominent Texas family. He was President of the old Bankers Trust Company and holds the same office in the new organization of that name, by which the Texas Trust Company was lately absorbed. He is President of the Great Southern Life Insurance Company, Vice-President of the Carter Lumber Company, Vice-President of the Kirby Lumber Company, Vice-President of the Houston-Liggett Lumber Company, Vice-President of the Houston Interurban Land Company, Treasurer of the Keithly Company, Treasurer of the Percival Wood Preserving Company, was a receiver of the Kirby Lumber Company, acted several years as Financial Agent of the Texas State Penitentiary, and is one of the Commissioners appointed by Governor Colquitt to park the San Jacinto Battleground. No other citizen of Houston holds more important positions of trust in the business world, and none has labored more consistently, energetically and ably for the upbuilding of the city and State. A life-long Democrat, he has invariably refused to accept political office, though time after time office has sought him. As a successful banker he is noted far beyond the confines of his State.

JESSE H. JONES
CAPITALIST

JESSE HOLMAN JONES, capitalist, president of the Jesse H. Jones Lumber Company, president of the South Texas Lumber Company, president of the Southern Loan & Investment Company, president of the Majestic Realty Company, chairman of the board of the Bankers Trust Company, vice-president of the Union National Bank, vice-president of the Main & Congress Realty Company; born April 5, 1874, in Robertson County, Texas; is a member of the Houston Club, Houston Turn Verein, Thalian Club, Elks, Sleepy Hollow Country Club (New York), and Englewood Country Club, Englewood, N. J.

No other one man has contributed so much to the structural upbuilding of Houston as Jesse H. Jones. Large buildings erected by him through his various companies make up a large part of Houston's sky-line. Among them are the New Rice Hotel, the Hotel Bristol Annex, the Texas Building and several others. The lumber holdings in Texas and the Southwest controlled by Mr. Jones are enormous, and the investment of great sums of outside capital is in his hands. His influence as a financier and city-builder is widely known and felt in this and other States.

Mr. Jones is often pointed to by those who know him well as "the most eligible bachelor in Texas."

JOHN HENRY KIRBY
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JOHN HENRY KIRBY, president of the Kirby Lumber Company and member of the Texas Legislature, known throughout the country for his prominence and success in the lumber business, was born in Tyler County, Texas, November 16, 1860, the son of John Henry Kirby of Kentucky and Sarah Payne Kirby, whose birth State was Mississippi. Early in life he turned his attention to law and was admitted to the bar. From 1882 to 1884 he served as Clerk in the Texas Legislature. In 1883 he won in the courts for Boston clients an important land case, and thenceforward his rise to distinction and wealth was rapid and uninterrupted. He was identified with the formation of the Texas and Louisiana Land and Lumber Company, made possible by his winning of the land case referred to. Later became general manager of the Texas Pine Land Association, built the Gulf, Beaumont & Kansas City Railway, and in 1901 organized and became owner of the Kirby Lumber Company. He is the type of business man who achieves large success through his own energy, ability and square dealings—those who know him point to him as a striking example of the captain of industry who has built no portion of his success upon the failures of others. A staunch Democrat, he is inside and outside of the Legislative halls a hearty supporter of his party's principles and his party's progress. In political councils and upon convention floor and platform he exercises that persuasive influence which marks all leaders of men. He is Exalted Ruler of the Elks, a Thirty-second Degree Mason, a Knight Templar, a Knight of Pythias, and a member of the Woodmen of the World and the Hoo-Hoos. Belongs to the Houston Club, the Houston Country Club and the Manhattan Club of New York City. November 14, 1883, married Miss Lelia Stewart, and to them a daughter was born; she is Mrs. James Schuyler Stewart. Mr. Kirby has lived in Houston twenty-two years.

DR. EDGAR ODELL LOVETT
PRESIDENT RICE INSTITUTE

DR. EDGAR ODELL LOVETT, born at Shreve, Ohio, April 14, 1878, son of Zephaniah Lovett and Mary E. Spreng Lovett; married Miss Mary Ellen Hale, daughter of Major Henry S. Hale of Mayfield, Kentucky. Degrees: A. B., Bethany College, 1890; A. M., Sc. M., 1892; M. A., Ph. D., University of Virginia, 1895; A. M., Ph. D., University of Leipsic, 1896; honorary degree LL. D. conferred by Drake University 1898; same by Tulane University 1911.

Professor of mathematics at West Kentucky College 1890-1892; instructor in astronomy at University of Virginia 1892-1895; student Leipsic and Christiana 1895-1896; Fellow by courtesy Johns Hopkins University 1897; lecturer on mathematics at University of Virginia and University of Chicago 1897; instructor in mathematics at Princeton 1897; assistant professor of mathematics at Princeton 1898-1900; professor of mathematics at Princeton 1900-1905; resignation from Princeton effective 1908; then after a year spent in travel became resident of Houston 1909 as president of Rice Institute.

Is a Fellow of Royal Astronomical Society and of American Association for the Advancement of Science. Member of American Philosophical Society, London Mathematical Society, So-Deutche Mathematiker-Vereinigung, Societe Mathematique de France, Circolo Matematico di Palermo, Religious Education Association, Southern Educational Association, National Council of the National Educational League.

Member of Phi Beta Kappa and of Beta Theta Pi; member of Houston Club, Houston Country Club, Z Z Club. Contributor on subjects scientific to various American and foreign journals and magazines and on such subjects is recognized as an international authority.

REV. WILLIAM STATES JACOBS, D. D.

THE REV. WILLIAM STATES JACOBS, D. D., A. B., A. M., LL. B., Ph. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Houston, orator, lecturer and counselor in many large civic and business enterprises, was born March 8, 1871, at Clinton, South Carolina, the son of the Rev William Plumer Jacobs, D. D., and Mrs. Mary Dillard Jacobs. Educated in the Presbyterian College of South Carolina, at the South Carolina University, and at Westminster College, Missouri. Ordained to the ministry in May of 1894 by the Presbytery of South Carolina at Greenwood, S. C. Filled pastorates at Edgefield, S. C., Columbus, Miss., and Nashville, Tenn., before coming to Houston seven years ago.

Received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Austin College, at Sherman, Texas, in 1909.

Under the seven-years pastorate of Dr. Jacobs the First Presbyterian Church has had a phenomenal growth; is now the largest church of any denomination in the city and the largest Presbyterian congregation in the South. In one year Dr. Jacobs, without holding any extended meetings, received into membership 373 persons—an average of more than one a day, the largest annual growth in the history of the Presbyterian Church in the South.

Dr. Jacobs probably knows more persons in Houston than any other resident. As a minister he has made it a point to extend his work beyond the confines of the Church. Is noted as a friend and helper of young men; his advice is frequently asked in large business matters by corporations; originated the sentence: "Houston, where seventeen railroads meet the sea," in a speech at the first deep-water meeting. Has wide acquaintance in the North, where he spends the summers, filling the pulpits of prominent churches. Is the representative of the Southern Presbyterian Church in the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ, which combines thirty-seven denominations. November, 1896, married Miss Laura Harris at Columbus, Mo. One son, William States Jacobs Jr.

HIRAM M. GARWOOD
LAWYER

HIRAM M. GARWOOD, member of the prominent Houston law firm of Baker, Botts, Parker & Garwood, was born in Bastrop, Texas, on January 11, 1864.

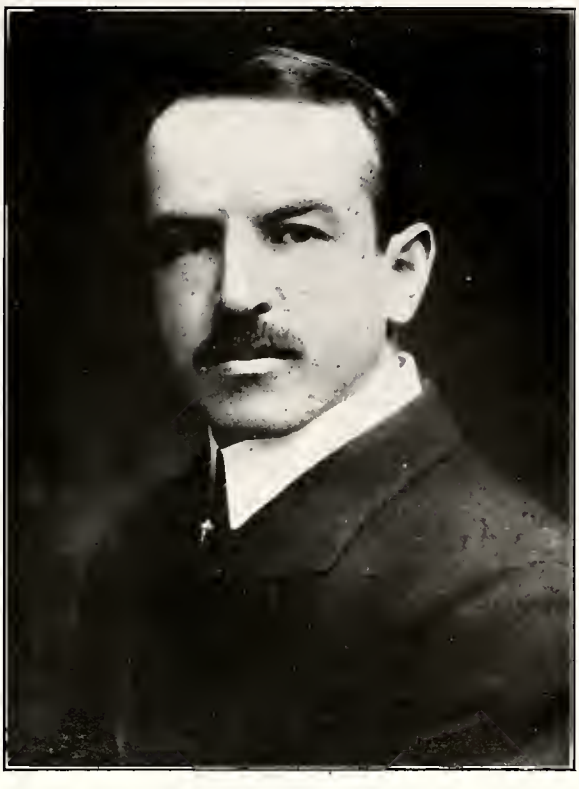
His father, C. B. Garwood, was born in Bellefontaine, Ohio; his mother, Frances B. Garwood, was born in Columbia, Tenn.

Mr. Garwood came to Houston ten years ago, and has for eight years been associated with the firm of which he is now a member. He has shown particular activity in cases where the Southern Pacific lines have been involved, his firm being the general attorneys for that corporation.

Mr. Garwood is also a vice-president of the Lumbermans National Bank of Houston.

Previous to coming to Houston Mr. Garwood attended the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn., from which he was graduated with a B. S. degree. He was admitted to the Bar in 1885, since which time he has been associated in partnership in turn with Colonel G. W. Jones, B. D. Orgain and Jonathan Lane, before forming his present connection. He has served as Representative from Bastrop County, State Senator, County Judge, member of the Board of Regents of the University of Texas and President Texas Bar Association. He is a Democrat, and a member of the Masons, Knights Templar, Knights of Pythias, A. T. O., Thalian Club, Houston Club and Houston Country Club.

He was married in 1890 to Miss Hettie Page of Bryan, and has three children, Calvin, St. John and Louise.



DAVID DALY
MANAGER HOUSTON ELECTRIC COMPANY

DAVID DALY, manager and assistant secretary of the Houston Electric Company, was born in Boston, Massachusetts, on October 16, 1878, and was graduated from Harvard College in 1901. His father, Timothy Daly, was born in County Kerry, Ireland; his mother, Catherine Hagerty Daly, was born in St. Johns, Newfoundland.

Mr. Daly took up his residence in Houston nine years ago, being sent here at that time by the Stone-Webster Syndicate to take the management of the Houston Electric Company, which position he has held ever since.

Mr. Daly's efforts to build up the properties of that company and to give Houston a street car service that is excelled by few, if any, cities of its size in the country, are well known. He has endeavored to follow the growth of the city with such improvements as seemed necessary to properly handle the populace.

He is a member of the Elks and Knights of Columbus, as well as the Houston Club, the Thalian Club, the Houston Country Club, the Turn Verein, the Rotary Club, Houston Press Club and Y. M. C. A.

He was married on January 12, 1910, to Miss Gertrude Hyde Paine, and has one child, Gertrude Paine Daly.

JONATHAN LANE
LAWYER AND CAPITALIST

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ONE of the most prominent citizens and well known attorneys of Houston and Texas is Jonathan Lane, who was born in Fayette County, Texas, October 15, 1855. His father, Charles J. Lane, was born in Decatur, Ala. His mother, Mrs. Ellen E. Lane, in Tryune, Tenn. Since coming to Houston in 1899 Mr. Lane has carved for himself a prominent niche in the commercial, industrial and social life of the city.

He was a member of the firm of Brown, Lane & Garwood, which was later changed to Lane, Wolters & Story. Since that time he has been prominently before the Houston Bar, particularly as attorney for various railway and other corporations. Besides his connection with this firm, Mr. Lane is interested in banking, merchandising, farming, irrigation, rice milling, life insurance, bonding and other lines of business, usually an officer or director of the corporation of which he is connected.

Mr. Lane is a Democrat. He is a Mason, Knight of Pythias, Red Man and a member of various clubs.

He was married on December 28, 1882, to Miss Alma Harrison.

COLONEL J. F. WOLTERS
LAWYER AND ORATOR

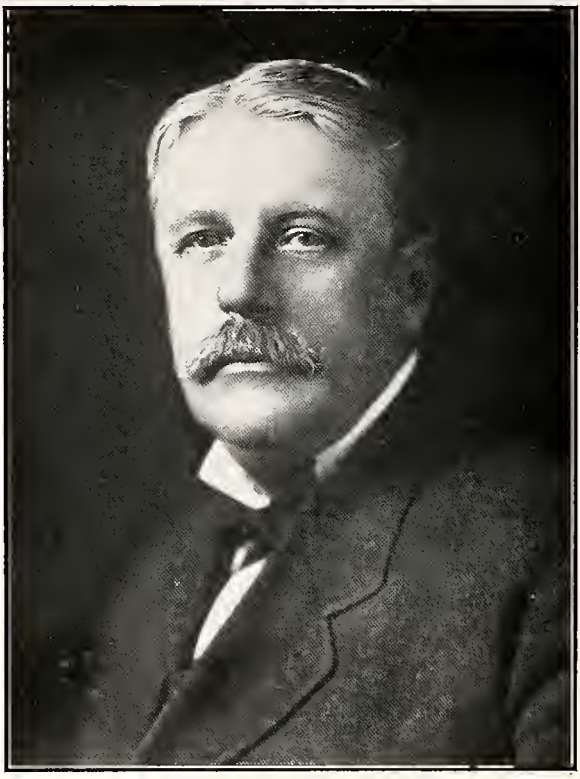
COLONEL J. F. WOLTERS, lawyer, orator, political leader of national reputation, and newspaper publisher, was born at New Ulm, Texas, September 2, 1871; removed to Fayette County and was educated in the public schools of Schulenburg—his home town. Before he was twenty-one years of age he was admitted to the bar and the same year elected County Attorney, and after serving his term was elected to the Legislature from Fayette County in 1896. As a member of the Texas Legislature Colonel Wolters became widely known as the open champion of many wholesome laws and reforms, notably the Fellow-Servants Bill. During the Spanish-American War he enlisted in the First Texas Cavalry and served with distinction until the close of the war. Served as presidential elector in 1900 and 1904, and in 1905 removed to Houston from La Grange and formed a law partnership with Hon. Jonathan Lane, the firm now being Lane, Wolters & Storey, one of the largest in Texas.

Colonel Wolters has been urged frequently to accept high political office. As a private citizen he has always taken an active part in civic and political affairs and the success of the Houston deepwater campaign in 1910 was largely due to his efforts. He was also the choice of the representative citizens of Texas for leader in the 1911 State-wide contest, winning a decisive victory. Was a candidate for the United States Senate to succeed Senator Bailey in the 1912 primaries.

Colonel Wolters is a member of the Houston Press Club, the Houston Club, Houston Country Club, the Thalian Club, the Turn Verein, Knights of Pythias, Knights of Herman, the Woodmen of the World and a prominent Mason. He was married to Miss Sallie Drane in 1893 and has two sons, Theodore Drane and Russell Franklin Wolters. Is a director and officer of various corporations, among them being the Guarantee Life Insurance Company, the Sealy Mattress Company, the Austin Statesman, and the American Surety and Casualty Company.

JAMES L. STOREY
LAWYER

JAMES L. STOREY, former County Attorney, former District Attorney of Caldwell County, and now a member of the law firm of Lane, Wolters & Storey, was born of Scotch-Irish parents in Lockhart, Texas, in 1866. His father, L. J. Storey, was a Georgian, his mother's home was Mississippi. He was educated in the public schools of Texas and graduated in 1887 from the University of Texas. A successful lawyer, he was elected County Attorney of Caldwell County, Texas, and later District Attorney of the Twenty-second Texas District. This latter office he held without opposition seventeen years. Four years ago Mr. Storey came with his family to Houston and associated himself with Colonel Jake Wolters and Jonathan Lane, the firm becoming Lane, Wolters & Storey. Is a firm believer in the great future of his adopted city and a quiet, earnest worker in the upbuilding of Houston. In 1893 married Miss Minnie Doak at Cuba, Mo.; two children were born to them. He is a steadfast Democrat. Member of the Houston Club and the Houston Country Club and a Knight Templar.



JAMES L. AUTRY

JAMES L. AUTRY, general attorney of the Texas Company and well-known member of the Texas bar, was born in Mississippi. His parents came from Alabama and Tennessee and his grandparents from Virginia, Maryland and North Carolina. His father, James L. Autry, was also a lawyer and commanded a Mississippi regiment in the Civil War, losing his life in the service of the Confederacy at the battle of Murfreesboro, Tennessee. His grandfather, Micajah Autry, came to Texas in 1836, and lost his life in the historic fight at the Alamo. His name is on the Alamo monument at Austin.

Mr. Autry was educated at Sewanee University and was admitted to the bar in Texas in 1881, and until 1904 was engaged in the practice of law in Corsicana. From that city he removed to Beaumont, coming thence to Houston in 1907. Has been general attorney of the Texas Company since its organization in 1902, and was one of its organizers.

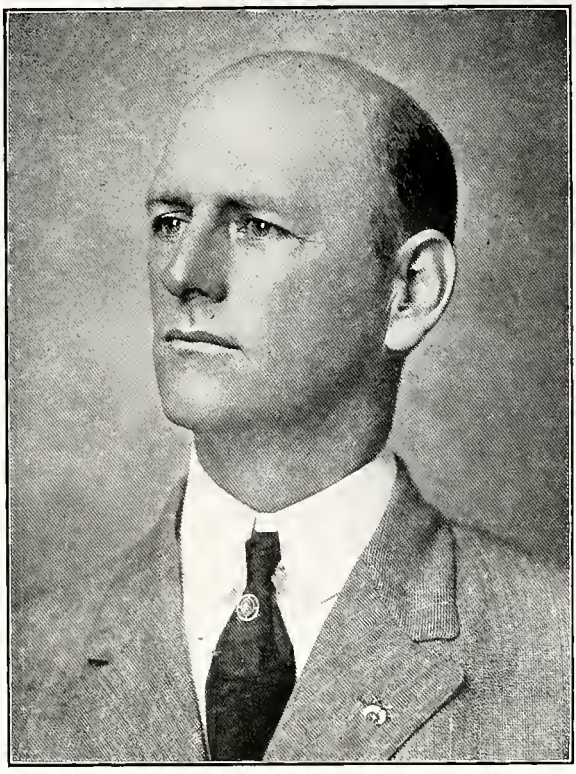
He belongs to the following clubs: Houston, Thalian, Houston Country, Oleander Country and Houston Launch Club. Also director in Houston Chamber of Commerce and vestryman of Christ Church. In 1896 at Corsicana, Texas, he married Miss Allie Kinsloe. They have two children, James L. Autry Jr. and Alice May Autry.

HENRY LEE BORDEN
LAWYER

HENRY LEE BORDEN, lawyer and prominent in the social life of Houston and Texas, was born in San Patricio County, Texas, January 6, 1879, the son of Sidney Gail Borden of Texas and Mrs. Mary Sullivan Borden of New Jersey; descendant of a family famous for their patriotism in winning the independence of Texas from Mexico and defending the South in the war between the States; a grandson of John P. Borden, who was a commissioned officer on the battlefield of San Jacinto and later became the first Commissioner of the Land Office of Texas under Governor Sam Houston. Three uncles of Mr. Borden on the maternal side served with conspicuous gallantry in the Confederate Army, one being killed in Louisiana, another losing a leg at Gettysburg and the third serving four years with Terry's Texas Rangers.

Mr. Borden is a member of one of the finest and most noted families of Texas. His father, Gail Borden, established the first newspaper in Texas—the Telegraph—and lent its friendly offices freely to the colonists in their fight for independence. Gail Borden also surveyed and platted the City of Houston and afterward was appointed the first Collector of Customs of the Port of Galveston. By discovering and commercializing the condensation of milk he made a large fortune.

Mr. Borden was graduated from the University of Texas in 1903 with degrees of B. L., M. A., and LL. B.; has practised law successfully in Houston eight years; enjoys a wide confidence and a lucrative business; 1907-1910 was Referee in Bankruptcy in the Federal Court of this district. February 10, 1904, married Miss Rosa Nalle of Austin; two children. Member Thalian Club, Houston Country Club and Oleander Club.



MINOR STEWART
LAWYER

MINOR STEWART, president of the Houston Title Guaranty Company, was born in Galveston in February, 1878. His father, Wm. H. Stewart, was a native of Maryland, coming to Texas in the early Forties, settling in Gonzales and becoming a member of the Legislature and Judge of the Tenth District Court at Galveston, which office he held from 1878 until his death in 1903.

Mr. Stewart is a graduate of Ball High School, Galveston, class of 1897, and studied law in the office of his brothers, Maco and Clegg Stewart.

In 1902 he was admitted to practise law before both the State and Federal courts. He is president and director of a dozen Galveston corporations; founded the Maco & Minor Stewart Abstract Company, the first in the State.

In 1909 he moved to Houston, becoming president of the Houston Title Guaranty Company and Houston Abstract Company; organized and was first president of Houston Real Estate Exchange, president Houston Security Corporation, director Chamber of Commerce, member First Presbyterian Church, a Master Mason, Shriner, Knight Templar, and 32° Scottish Rite; member of Country Club, Houston Club, Press Club and various other organizations.

He was married May 15, 1907, to Miss Laura Wassam, at Galveston, and has two sons.

SENATOR Q. U. WATSON
LAWYER AND LEGISLATOR

SENATOR QUINTUS ULTIMUS WATSON, lawyer and member of the Texas State Senate; born July 2, 1874, in Washington County, Texas; educated in the public schools; law clerk; admitted to Bar and engaged in general practise at Giddings, Texas; member of Texas State Senate eight years; author of numerous Legislative bills and succeeded in having enacted many wholesome reform measures; member of Elks, Masons, Houston Club and the Dallas Club; has campaigned throughout doubtful states in last two Presidential elections.

JOHN SYLVESTER STEWART
LAWYER

JOHN SYLVESTER STEWART, president of the Stewart Abstract and Title Company, and one of the owners of the Stewart Building, was born in Marlin, Texas, July 1, 1864. His father, Charles Stewart, was born in Memphis, Tennessee; his mother, Rachel Barry Stewart, in North Carolina.

He graduated from the Washington-and-Lee University of Law in 1886, and has resided in Houston since 1865.

He began practising law in 1886, and made steady progress until he became recognized as one of the ablest members of the Texas bar. From 1892 to 1900 he was City Attorney of Houston.

Some years ago he and his mother erected the eight-story building that bears their name. It was the first large building of concrete construction to be built in Houston, and is still recognized as one of the city's sightliest sky-scrapers.

Mr. Stewart is a member of the Press Club, Masons, Knights of Pythias, Red Men and the Elks, and his fraternal spirit is in evidence on all occasions.

He was married in 1893 to Miss Anita Bolmes and has five children, John Sylvester Jr., Grafton, William Bryan, Anita and Bessie.

EARL WHARTON
LAWYER

EARL WHARTON, lawyer and United States Referee in Bankruptcy, was born at Cottondale, Texas, March 5, 1887, son of Frank B. and Ella Ray Wharton; educated at A. and M. College of Texas, Mount Hermann School of Mount Hermann, Mass., and the University of Texas; was admitted to the bar April, 1909; is a member of the Houston Press Club, the Houston Club, the Country Club and the Thalian Club.

JAMES MARION WEST
PRESIDENT WEST LUMBER COMPANY

JAMES MARION WEST, president of the West Lumber Company, was born in Wayne County, Mississippi, May 2, 1872; educated in the public schools of Trinity County, Texas, and at Groveton, Texas. Soon after completing his schooling turned his attention to the lumber business, whose details he studied and mastered. Has taken a prominent part in the development of the lumber industry of the Southwest, particularly of Southern Texas. In addition to being president of the West Lumber Company (which he organized) is president of the South Texas Lumber Company and of the National Iron & Steel Company, and is a director in the Lumbermans National Bank. Member of the Houston Club, the Lumbermen's Club and several other social and business organizations.

LYNCH DAVIDSON
LUMBERMAN

LYNCH DAVIDSON, president of the Continental Lumber Company, was born in Cotile, Louisiana, on January 3, 1873.

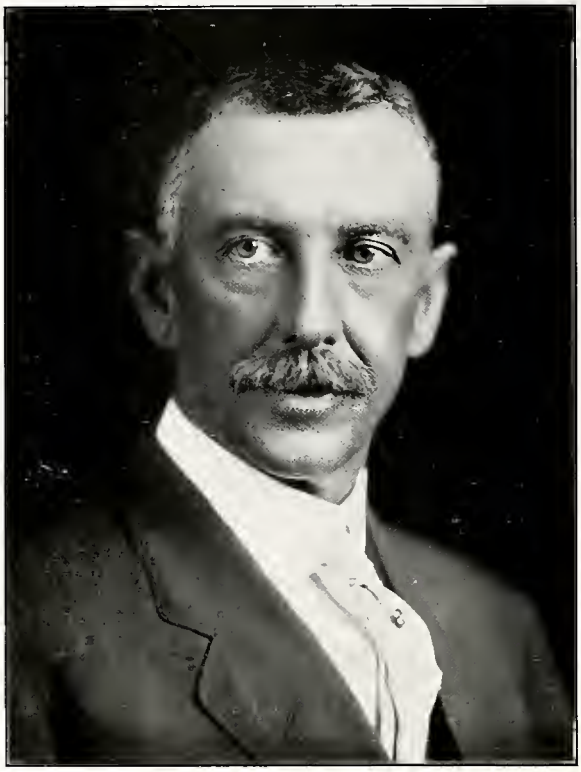
His father, Neil Davidson, was born in Louisiana; his mother, Laura C. Davidson, was born in Texas. His ancestors were Scotch-Irish.

Mr. Davidson is self-educated. He has a thorough knowledge of the lumber industry. He removed to Houston sixteen years ago and is well known in lumber circles in Texas and Louisiana.

Besides serving as president of the Continental Lumber Company Mr. Davidson is vice-president of the Southland Lumber Company of Houston, and director of the Lumbermans National Bank of Houston.

He was married on June 26, 1896, to Miss Katie Calvit, of Houston, and has three children, Marion, Lois and Katie Lynch Davidson.

He belongs to a number of clubs and fraternities, among them the Houston Country Club, the Elks and the Hoo-Hoos.



WILLIAM MARSH RICE, JR.
TRUSTEE OF RICE INSTITUTE

WILLIAM MARSH RICE, JR., is a nephew of the late William Marsh Rice, founder of the Rice Institute, Houston's new $10,000,000 institution of learning.

Mr. Rice was born in Houston October 26, 1857, and for many years has been a prominent figure in the social and business life of the city.

Mr. Rice entered Princeton University, from which institution he was graduated in the course of time.

Some years ago, when William Marsh Rice appointed trustees to manage his estate and to care for the properties left as an endowment for the great institution of learning which bears his name, William Marsh Rice, Jr., was one selected, and he has helped administer to the affairs of the estate since that time as only a level-headed man of business, and one deeply interested in educational work and the betterment of his fellow man could do.

Mr. Rice is president of the J. S. and W. M. Rice Lumber Company, and one of the best-known lumbermen in the South.

He belongs to most of the prominent Houston clubs.

JAMES ALEXANDER BREEDING

JAMES ALEXANDER BREEDING, lawyer, jurist and former member of the Legislature, was born in Adair County, Kentucky, and was educated in the public schools of Louisville, Kentucky, and in the Law Department of the University of Kentucky. He was admitted to the Bar at Louisville in November of 1875, and came to Texas in 1877 and to Houston in 1880. Since then he has lived here continuously and has built up a large and lucrative practise in the law.

A life-long Democrat, Mr. Breeding was twice elected a member of the Texas Legislature and served two terms. Upon a number of occasions he has been named, and served, as a special Judge of the District Courts in Texas, being selected both by the Bar and by appointment of the Governor.

December 16, 1868, married Miss Hattie R. Mullen at Louisville.

J. SAMUEL PYEATT

J. SAMUEL PYEATT, railroad official, vice-president and general manager of the Frisco Lines in South Texas, was born in Prairie Grove, Arkansas, September 29, 1874. After receiving his education he entered railroad work in station service of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad in 1894. Served in various capacities on the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railroad, the Iron Mountain and Missouri Pacific until 1904, when he resigned as chief clerk of the manager's office at St. Louis to become superintendent of the Pere Marquette at St. Thomas, Ont. Remained with that company seven years as superintendent Buffalo Division, Detroit District and Grand Rapids District. Resigned in 1911 to accept position of superintendent of Frisco Lines at Chaffee, Mo. Appointed vice-president and general superintendent North Texas Frisco Lines at Fort Worth, Texas, February, 1912, and vice-president and general manager South Texas Frisco Lines, Houston, June of the same year.

Married in March, 1912, to Miss Myra S. Loy.

Member of the Houston Club, Houston Country Club, Houston Chamber of Commerce and director of the National Bank of Commerce, of Houston.

GURDON AVERY TAFT
GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT WELLS FARGO COMPANY

GURDON AVERY TAFT, general superintendent of the Wells Fargo Company for the Southern Department, embracing Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana, with headquarters at Houston, was born September 5, 1858, at Lyons, New York; son of Edward P. Taft, who was Colonel of the Ninth New York Volunteers, Rickett's Division, during the Civil War, under General Lew Wallace, and who was appointed (1865) Consul to Nicaragua by President Lincoln. Mr. Taft's grandfather, Newell Taft, was a cousin of Alphonso Taft, father of William H. Taft, ex-President of the United States.

Was educated in the public schools and attended an Episcopal military school; entered express business in 1882 and has filled nearly every position with Wells Fargo Company from messenger to division superintendent.

October 14, 1880, married Miss Carrie E. Swart of Ballston, N. Y., and they have four children: Edward R. of El Paso, Elizabeth A. (wife of Dr. Fred R. Williams) of Port Lavaca, Robert N. of Fort Worth, and Donald M. Taft of Houston. Is a member of Houston Club, Houston Country Club, Elks and Press Club.

DOUGALD J. PRICE
RAILROAD OFFICIAL

DOUGALD J. PRICE, general passenger and ticket agent of the International & Great Northern Railroad, was born in Wilmington, North Carolina, on August 11, 1859.

His father, William J. Price, was born in Fayetteville, North Carolina; his mother, Annie E. Price, was born in Southport, North Carolina.

Mr. Price has been a resident of Houston since September 1, 1911, at which time the general offices of the International & Great Northern were moved to this city.

He is one of the best-known railroad men in the Southwest, having served the International & Great Northern in one capacity or another since 1873. His knowledge of railroads and railroading in Texas is unlimited, and this information, secured by him at first hand, has been responsible for his rise in the railroad world. He possesses a large circle of friends in this and other States.

Mr. Price is self-educated; he has never held public office. He is a member of the Elks Lodge.

He was married on November 9, 1880, to Miss Mary E. Jowers, and again on June 27, 1911, to Miss Nell Hafford. He has five children. His oldest son, Geo. F. Price, is City Passenger and Freight Agent of the International & Great Northern Railway in Galveston.

OLIVER HOWELL CRITTENDEN

OLIVER HOWELL CRITTENDEN, chief engineer of the International & Great Northern Railway, was born in Lee County, Alabama, February 20, 1861. His father, B. F. Crittenden, was born in Talbert County, Georgia, in 1830. His mother was born in Lee County, Alabama, in 1839.

Mr. Crittenden received a common school education and at the age of sixteen entered the A. and M. College of Alabama, at Auburn, from which he was graduated with degree of Bachelor of Engineering in 1881. Two years later this college conferred on him the degree of Civil Engineer.

For the next fifteen years he was employed in the capacity of locating and resident engineer on the construction of the Louisville & Nashville, Queen & Crescent, Illinois Central, Frisco, and Seaboard Air Line railroads.

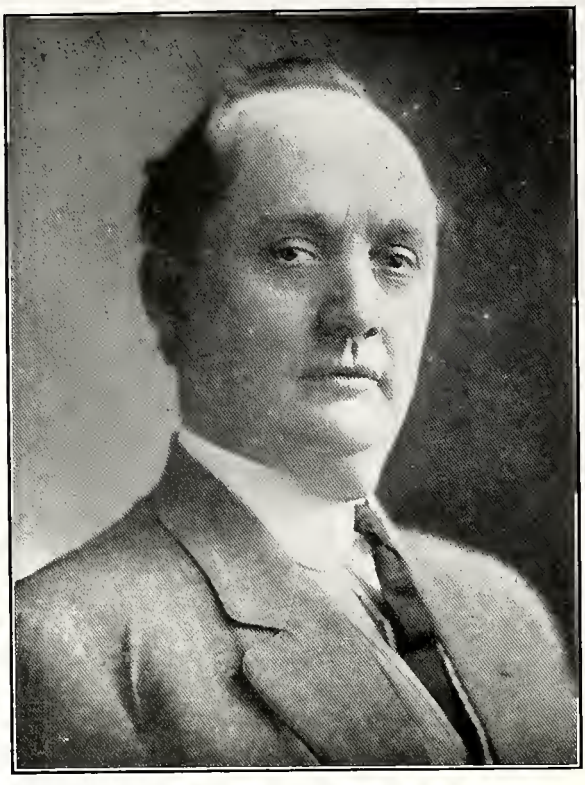
From 1896 to 1903 he was locating engineer, engineer maintenance of way, general roadmaster, division superintendent and superintendent of bridges and buildings for the Kansas City Southern Railway.

In 1903 he became connected with the International & Great Northern Railroad as assistant engineer. In 1905 he was placed in charge of the construction of the new terminals of the International in Houston, which were completed in 1906.

In 1906 he was made chief engineer of the International, which position he now holds.

He is a prominent member of the American Railway Engineering Association.

He is a strong advocate of more and better railroads for Texas.

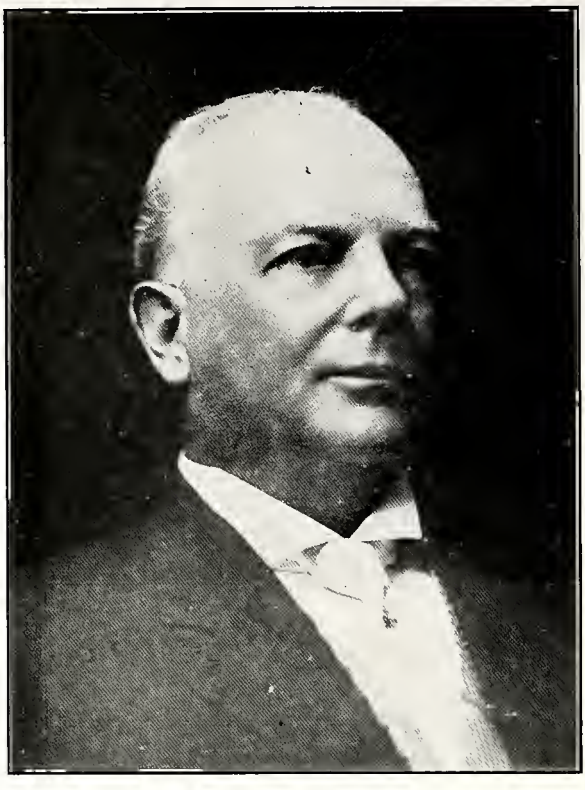


E. A. CALVIN
LEGISLATOR AND COTTON EXPERT

E. A. CALVIN, member of the Legislature from Harris County and expert in intensive cotton farming, was born February 26, 1876, in Boone County, Missouri, and was educated in the public schools of the State. Farmer until 1905; president Farmers' Union of Texas 1905-1907; three terms a member of the Legislature from Lamar County. 1899-1901-1903 was one of the leaders in the cotton-holding movement and urged Southern farmers to hold their cotton until it rose in price from eight to fifteen cents. Fought a great battle in sustaining this position, and won. Several years editor and publisher of the Union Guide; two years member State Democratic Executive Committee; member Board of Regents of State University, 1906-1907; originator and organizer in 1906 of cotton school, which is now popular in all the Southern States and which resulted in the addition of a course in cotton in nearly all A. & M. colleges in the cotton-growing States. Largely instrumental in securing Government standardization of cotton grades. Father of introduction of elementary principles of agriculture and horticulture into public schools of Texas.

DR. THOMAS WILLIAM SHEARER

DR. THOMAS WILLIAM SHEARER, president and treasurer of the New Era Gravel and Development Company, was born August 25, 1856, at Janesville, Wisconsin, and was educated in the public schools of that State. At the age of nine years he began on a farm the task of earning his own living. At twenty-one he quit the farm, and in 1881 was graduated from the Iowa State College with the degree of Bachelor of Sciences. He became assistant chemist there and in 1883 won the degree of M. S. Graduated a Doctor of Medicine from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Chicago, in 1884. For three years practised medicine in Des Moines, Iowa, and for three years was chemist for the Iowa State Board of Health; professor of chemistry and toxicology in the Iowa College of Physicians and Surgeons (now Drake University). In 1887 came to Texas, and for twenty years practised in Chambers County. Of that County he was Treasurer twelve years. He has been a resident of Houston six years, and organized and was the first president and manager of the old River Rice Irrigation Company.



W. W. DEXTER
PUBLISHER TEXAS BANKERS JOURNAL

W. W. DEXTER, publisher Texas Bankers Journal, born in Montgomery, Alabama, June 29, 1851. His grandfather, Andrew Dexter, founded that city in 1819. Came to Texas in 1823 and purchased 386,000 acres of land from young Spanish captains at Nacogdoches at five cents per acre. On account of this vast estate W. W. Dexter, one of six heirs to it, reached Texas in 1874. Became an editor on the Galveston News in 1879. Agent at Houston for Bradstreet from 1880 to 1885. Agent for R. G. Dun & Company at Waco in 1886, when he created the Waco Trade Review, which was published until 1894 at Waco, Fort Worth and Dallas. In 1895 returned to Houston at request of Houston Cotton Exchange, and published the Trade Review. In 1895 Mr. Dexter organized the Houston Business League, now the Chamber of Commerce. Later he resigned as secretary and became editor of the "Coast Country Magazine" for the Southern Pacific Company, under a guarantee of $10,000 a year. In 1907 founded the Texas Bankers Journal, which at present is a conspicuous success.

He represented Texas at the Atlanta and Tennessee Expositions and on March 22, 1913, was notified of his appointment as Commissioner of the American Government to Europe to study the problems of the Rural Co-operative Credit System. He sailed with one hundred other Commissioners on the Steamer Saxonia, Cunard Line, April 26, for Europe, expecting to reach Rome May 10, when and where he will deliver an address on "The Attitude of American Bankers on Rural Co-operative Credit." He is in a class distinctly alone as a successful publisher who has made money, that percentage being only two to the thousand.

CLARENCE ST. ELMO HOLLAND
BANKER

CLARENCE ST. ELMO HOLLAND, of Victoria, Texas, vice-president of the First National Bank of Victoria, and formerly for fourteen years auditor of the Houston Post, was born at New Castle, Kentucky, April 27, 1867, and was educated in the public schools. Spent sixteen years in the newspaper business and has been ten years a banker. The bank of which he is an active officer is now being reorganized with a capital stock of $500,000, and will be called the National Bank of Victoria.

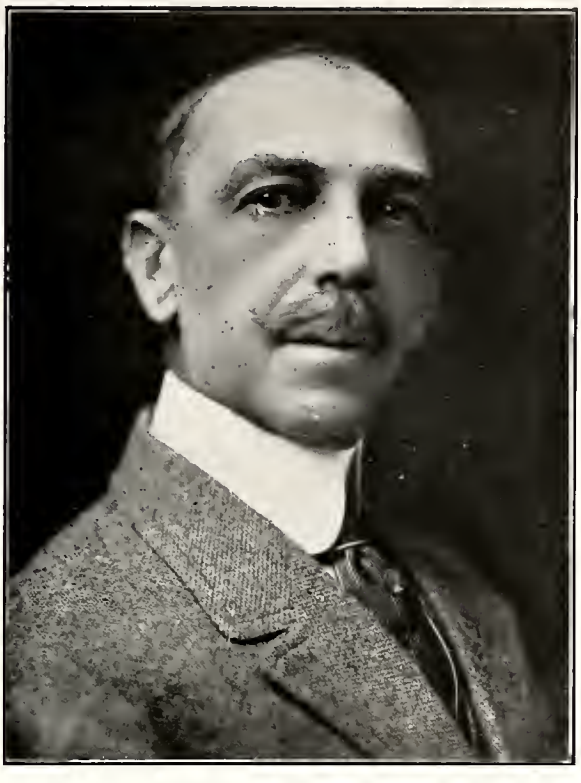
Mr. Holland is president of the Interstate Waterway League of Louisiana and Texas, and it is due largely to his earnest and skillful efforts that the work of that organization—the urging to construction of an inland waterway connecting the Mississippi with the Rio Grande—was undertaken and has been so successfully carried on.

November 28, 1887, Mr. Holland married Miss Elizabeth Taylor at Victoria. He is a Shriner, a Knight Templar, an Elk, a Woodman of the World and a member of the Modern Woodmen.

W. C. MUNN
MERCHANT

WILEY C. MUNN, president W. C. Munn Company, president Houston Chamber of Commerce; born in Jefferson, Texas, November 9, 1861; son of John T. and F. A. J. Cooper Munn, who came to Texas in 1842. Mr. W. C. Munn was educated in the private school of Prof. R. P. Decherd and Baylor University and Hill's Business College at Waco, Texas. Married Miss Georgia Jackson of Weimar, Texas, November 5, 1884; engaged in mercantile business at Weimar, Texas, 1885; removed to Houston 1906, and became a member of the firm of Mistrot-Munn Co.; purchased partner's stock in 1912 and organized W. C. Munn Company, Inc., in January, 1913, one of the largest department stores in Texas; active in civic affairs and identified with various public enterprises; president Houston Turning Basin and Development Company; president Port Houston Land and Townsite Company.

Member Masons, Elks, Woodmen of the World, M. O. P., Knights of Honor, A. O. U. W., and First Baptist Church.



ABE M. LEVY
PRESIDENT LEVY BROTHERS DRY GOODS COMPANY

ABE M. LEVY, president of the Levy Brothers Dry Goods Company, was born in Houston on September 23, 1859. He has been a continuous resident of the city since that time and has seen the transition from a village to a metropolis. He has seen the old business structures razed to the ground that sky-scrapers might be erected in their stead.

The firm of Levy Brothers Dry Goods Company has kept pace with the growth of the city, and the little store which formerly stood on Main Street, near the firm's present location, has grown into one of the largest dry goods stores in the entire South.

Mr. Levy comes of good old German descent, his father, M. H. Levy, and his mother, Adelena J. Levy, having migrated to this country from Prussia. As a boy and a young man Mr. Levy attended private schools in Houston, and there received his education.

Aside from his connection with the firm which bears his name Mr. Levy is director and vice-president of the Union National Bank, director and vice-president of the Bankers' Trust Company, and director of the Houston Land Corporation.

He is a member of the Houston Country Club, the Houston Club and the Elks.

JOHN K. FOLEY

JOHN K. FOLEY, merchant, president of John K. Foley & Company and prominent clubman, was born in Houston January 26, 1879; son of William L. Foley, pioneer Houston merchant. Mr. Foley was educated at Fordham College at Fordham, New York, and at Andover Academy, Andover, Mass. He chose a commercial career and on returning to Houston entered his father's store, where he remained until he branched out for himself, starting the John K. Foley & Company establishment, known as the Specialty Store, one of the most modern exclusive women and children's store in the South. Among the younger business men of Houston, Mr. Foley is regarded as a phenomenal success.

In addition to being president of the John K. Foley Company Mr. Foley is a stockholder in other local enterprises. He is a member of the Houston Club, the Country Club, the Thalian Club and Elks. He is a bachelor.

GEORGE A. GIBBONS
MERCHANT AND IMPORTER

GEORGE A. GIBBONS, retiring senior member of the Gibbons Manufacturing Company, importing tailors, and one of the best-known and most-highly esteemed citizens of Southeastern Texas, was born in the famous university town of Oxford, England, in 1845. He came to Houston in 1867 and entered the merchant tailoring business, in which he has been successfully engaged ever since. Here he has raised a large family, and upon retiring from active business life recently his eldest son, George Gibbons, became his father's active partner and will be the managing head of the firm, which has been built up to its present prominence through forty-five years of upright merchandizing in Houston. Mr. Gibbons Sr. having accumulated a comfortable fortune, lately departed for an extended vacation trip through the woolen-manufacturing countries of Europe, where he will buy largely for his Houston house. He will close the trip with a visit to his kinsfolk in his native town, Oxford, and will then return home.

H. BALDWIN RICE.
CAPITALIST

HORACE BALDWIN RICE, capitalist and eight years Mayor of Houston, was born in Houston in 1861, the son of F. A. Rice of Springfield, Mass., and Mrs. C. M. Rice of Baldwinsville, Vt. Having graduated from the Texas Military Institute, he early engaged in the cotton and cattle business and became one of the foremost men of the State in those pursuits.

In 1905 Mr. Rice was elected Mayor of Houston, and three times consecutively was re-elected, serving in all eight years. His record in that office is the record of Houston's period of most rapid and substantial advancement; within that period the city began its rise toward metropolitanism and through the administrative genius of Mayor Rice gained an impetus that has carried it far forward in the ranks of American municipalities.

During the four consecutive Rice administrations were inaugurated and vigorously prosecuted—some to completion, others to advanced points of construction—such vital projects as the digging of the Houston Ship Channel, the erection of the great City Auditorium, the building of the Ship Channel Causeway, the remodeling and enlarging of the city's sewer and storm-drainage systems, the modernizing of the Health Department, the laying of many miles of street pavement, extension of the public park system, inauguration of free Municipal entertainments, establishment of the famed Municipal Ball, and many other improvements of a nature substantial and beneficent.

To the City's welfare Mayor Rice throughout his eight years of service contributed generously and unostentatiously from his private fortune. His time he gave wholly to the conduct of his administrations, regardless of various private interests of his own. He is an officer and director in many of the principal business enterprises of Houston.

STUART A. GIRAUD

STUART A. GIRAUD, Public Accountant, was born in Houston March 28, 1885, and was educated in the public schools of this city and by private instruction. His business career was begun in the accounting department of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company and subsequently he was employed by the Southern Pacific Railway and by the Rio Bravo Oil Company in the accounting division of its fuel oil department. He was placed in charge of that work at the age of 19 years.

In 1907 Mr. Giraud went to Beaumont to become associated with the J. M. Guffey Petroleum Company, serving under C. H. Markham, now president of the Illinois Central Railroad. After three years spent in studying out the accounting procedure, doing system work, compiling statistics, and in a confidential capacity with the Guffey Company, he became associated in the practice of public accounting with C. A. Richardson at Beaumont, and handled under the firm name of Richardson & Giraud a large volume of commercial and municipal audit and examinations throughout East Texas.

January 1, 1913, Mr. Giraud established himself individually in Houston in his profession, with municipal accounting as a specialty, and soon afterward was appointed Special Auditor by the City of Houston and entrusted with the important duty of auditing the books of the City and studying and recommending changes in system and methods.

Mr. Giraud is a self-educated man and built himself up in the technique of public accountancy at a time when there was no recognized school of accounting available.

In March of 1911, in Houston, he married Miss Earle Anderson. He is a member of the Houston Club, the Beaumont Country Club, the Neches Club of Beaumont, the Houston Chamber of Commerce, the Knights of Columbus, the Texas State Society of Public Accountants and the American Association of Public Accountants.

HOWARD ROBARD HUGHES

HOWARD ROBARD HUGHES, inventor, manufacturer and president of the Sharp-Hughes Tool Company, was born in Lancaster, Mo., September 9, 1869.

He finished his education at Harvard University in the Class of 1897. He has traveled extensively throughout Germany, England and France; drilled in Mexico the deepest oil well in the world; is patentee of the rock-drill bearing his name. He organized the Sharp-Hughes Tool Company.

In 1905 he married Miss Alene Gano of Dallas, and has one son, Howard R. Jr.; is a member of the Houston Country Club, the Houston Club, and is a life member of the Harvard Club of New York City.

HENRY THOMAS STAITI

HENRY THOMAS STAITI, president of the Prairie Oil Company, pioneer oil operator and prominent Houston clubman, was born in Marshall, Texas, February 12, 1874. After receiving his education in the public schools and at Marshall College he engaged in the oil business, which he has pursued continuously for eighteen years, the last nine years being spent in Houston.

Was one of the first prospectors and oil operators in the State, and is still interested in the Oklahoma, Louisiana and the different Texas fields, including Humble, Saratoga, Batson, Markham and Electra.

Mr. Staiti was interested in the discovery and early development of the Bryan Heights Sulphur fields, Freeport, Texas, and is still interested.

Married on April 17, 1901, Miss Odelia Riesner, daughter of Professor Charles Riesner, a prominent citizen of Waco. Is a member of the Houston Club, Elks, Country Club, Oleander Club, and the International Club of San Antonio.

ROSS SHAW STERLING
BANKER

ROSS SHAW STERLING, prominent banker, real estate man and dealer in grain, lumber and oil, was born in Anahuac, Chambers County, Texas, on February 11, 1875. His father, Captain B. F. Sterling, was born in Monticello, Miss.; his mother, Mary Jane Bryan Sterling, was born at Liberty, Texas. His ancestors on his father's side were Scotch, having come to this country before the Revolutionary War. On his mother's side they were Irish, having settled in North Carolina in the early days.

Mr. Sterling has been in Houston about eight years, and is a great believer in the future of this city. In addition to being president of five State banks he is the president of the Dayton Lumber Company, president of the Humble Oil Company, president Trinity Valley & Northern Railroad and has valuable real estate holdings here.

He is a member of the Navigation Committee and holds the office of secretary. He belongs to the Knights of Pythias, Woodmen of the World and the Houston Club.

His father was prominent in Texas for many years prior, during and after the Civil War.

GEORGE WASHINGTON NEWMAN
OIL OPERATOR AND CAPITALIST

GEORGE WASHINGTON NEWMAN, president Producers Pipe Line Company, officer of various South and East Texas corporations, and capitalist; born on a farm in Winston County, Alabama, September 5, 1879; educated in the public schools and Alabama State Normal College at Troy; taught school three years in Alabama and Georgia; studied law and was admitted to the Bar in Alabama.

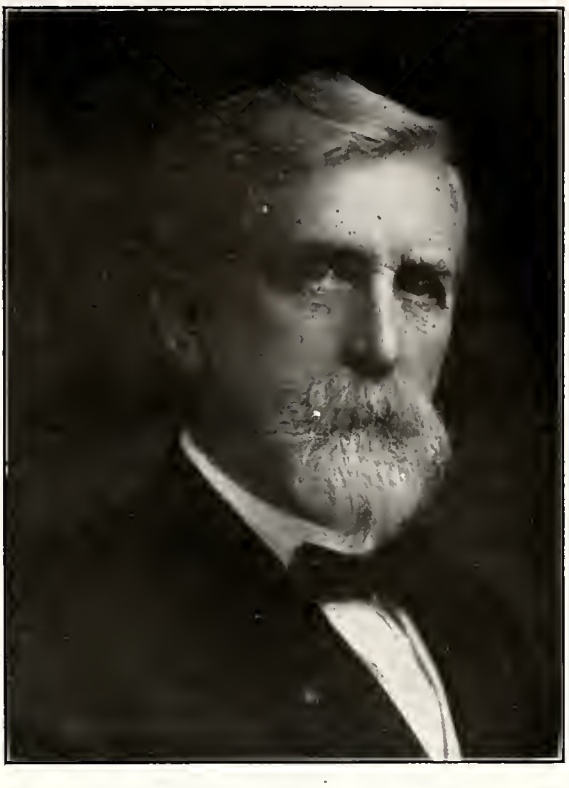
Mr. Newman came to Houston in 1902; paid his current expenses by clerking in Stowers furniture store; practised law here and engaged in real estate business; three years ago entered the oil business, becoming interested in several South Texas fields; sold out certain of his holdings at a net profit to himself and his associates of $1,000,000. Is chief owner of the Producers Pipe Line Company, president Consumers Ice & Coal Company of Beaumont, director Texas Bankers Trust Company of Houston, vice-president and general manager Gray Oil Company of Beaumont, operating in the Vinton and Caddo (Louisiana) fields, president and chief owner Hindman-Barlow-Scott Oil Company of Houston, operating in the Goose Creek (Texas) field, vice-president and general manager C. L. Smith Oil Company of Houston (Goose Creek field), and president Rescue Oil Company of Houston (Vinton field).

May 26, 1910, married Miss Ollie Smith of Leesville, La. Is a member of the Beaumont Country Club, Neches Club of Beaumont, the Elks and the Houston Club.

WILLIAM R. ALLISON
LAND MAN

WILLIAM ROE ALLISON, president of the Allison-Richey Land Company, is a son of the late Samuel Allison Sr., a native of New York State. His mother was, before her marriage, Miss Rachel Bell, a native of Licking County, Ohio.

Mr. Allison was born in Delaware County, Iowa, May 25, 1863. He attended the public schools of his native county; graduated in 1884 from Drake University. In November, 1884, was married to Miss Elba Hancher of Jasper County, Iowa. To them were born four children, Roy Allison, Misses Gladys B. and Mildred C. Allison and Rush Allison. Removed to Campbell County, South Dakota, where he operated a ranch for two years. He returned to Iowa, locating in Dallas County, where he resided nine years; then to Carlsbad, New Mexico, where he lived five years. The splendid developments surrounding that New Mexico city were largely due to the efforts of Mr. Allison. He organized the Pecos Valley Immigration Company, which was later absorbed by the Allison-Richey Land Company, of which he is now president. Removed to San Antonio, where he resided for three years, and to Houston about three years ago. During his residence in New Mexico Mr. Allison had the misfortune to lose the mother of his children. On the 5th of July, 1911, he was married to Miss Olivia Whips of Victoria. They have one son, Neville F. Allison, born August 16, 1912. Mr. Allison is a Democrat. The only society to which he belongs is the Christian Church.



SENATOR JOHN RICHEY
LAND MAN

SENATOR JOHN RICHEY, land man, born Harrison County, Ohio, September 15, 1842. He was thrown upon his own resources at the age of 5, his father having died at that time. Senator Richey removed from Ohio to Kansas and became a prominent figure in State politics. He served as County Commissioner of McPherson County for two terms, County Treasurer for two terms, and was elected to the Kansas State Senate in 1876 and served four years. As Mayor of City of Artesia, New Mexico, he cleansed that city of gambling and was largely instrumental in driving the vice out of the State. Senator Richey is a veteran of the Civil War. He has resided in Texas several years and was one of the first pioneers in the land and emigration business. Through his efforts many large tracts of land have been placed on the market and opened up for settlement. Senator Richey lived for a number of years in San Antonio, and was first president of the Allison-Richey Land Company, probably the largest land company in Texas. Since removing to Houston he has become actively identified with the real estate and land business here.

ED. KENNEDY
CAPITALIST

ED KENNEDY, railroad builder and official, president of the Orange & Northeastern Ry., born in Hartford, Conn., February 3, 1858; educated at public schools of Hartford; engaged in railroad promotion, construction and banking in Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Louisiana; promoted various railroad lines in South Texas, including Beaumont, Sour Lake & Western; built road from Altus, Okla., to Wellington, Texas, now owned and operated by M. K. & T. Ry.; organized Turning Basin Land Company of Houston; one of organizers of Park Place Land Company; organized National City Bank of Houston, which was absorbed by Lumbermans National; now engaged in constructing Orange Northeastern Ry., of which he is president; member Elks and Knights of Columbus.

FREDERICK H. POTTHOFF

FREDERICK H. POTTHOFF, proprietor of the Union Bottling Works, and well-known Houston citizen, was born in Germany on October 1, 1856.

His father, J. H. Potthoff, and his mother, Katie Vandenbaum Potthoff, were also born in that country, having descended from some of the oldest families of their respective communities.

Mr. Potthoff has been in Houston since 1882, hence feels that he has practically grown up with the city. He has watched Houston's progress with a great deal of satisfaction, it having been one of his earliest predictions that owing to its superior location it was destined to become the leading city of the State —perhaps of the South.

Some years ago Mr. Potthoff established the Union Bottling Works, and under his careful management the concern has increased in size until it is reckoned among the most extensive plants of its nature in Texas.

Mr. Potthoff is a member of several fraternal organizations, among them the Sons of Herman, the Houston Saengerbund, the Eagles and the Knights of Pythias.

He was married on April 13, 1883, and has seven children.

WILMER WALDO

WILMER WALDO, civil engineer, was born in Houston January 21, 1876. He was educated at the Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, Philips Academy, Andover, Mass., and at Princeton University. Has traveled extensively throughout the United States, Mexico, Canada, England and Continental Europe.

On returning from college Mr. Waldo entered the service of the Southern Pacific, resigning in 1901 to engage in business for himself and to manage his private affairs.

As engineer and construction manager he has been connected with various projects in Texas and Louisiana. He has also operated at Beaumont, Sour Lake and throughout the oil section of Texas.

His latest engineering work has been done as construction engineer of the William M. Rice Institute.

Is a member of the Thalian Club, the Country Club and the Rotary Club.

HARRY B. JOHNSON

HARRY B. JOHNSON, newspaperman, member of the Executive Committee of the Houston Press Club, and advertising manager of the Magnolia Park Land Company, of which J. R. Cheek is president, M. O. Kopperl vice-president and M. S. Waller secretary. Was born in Farmersville, Ontario, July 12, 1857; got his schooling at Ford school, Lafayette, Ind., and began the printer's trade in the office of the Weekly Patriot, Lebanon, Ind., becoming a full-fledged union printer at Louisville, Ky. Subsequently he worked on various papers throughout the United States and came to Texas in 1883, working on the Houston Post and Galveston News. He was married to Miss Katherine Mahoney in Galveston August 6, 1884, and for about ten years was connected with the Galveston Tribune. Was an organizer for the International Typographical Union in 1894-1895. Moved to Denver after the Galveston storm and subsequently to the Pacific Coast. Later returned to Texas, working on San Antonio papers, and in 1909 came to Houston and assumed his present position. He is a member of the Typographical Union, the Press Club, Turn Verein, Eagles, Woodmen of the World and Southern Benevolent Association.

WILLIAM A. WILSON
CAPITALIST AND HOME BUILDER

WILLIAM ABNER WILSON, president William A. Wilson Company, capitalist and most widely known home-builder in the South, was born at Syracuse, New York, November 29, 1864; received common school education; active business career; removed to Texas 1892 and organized home-building firm of William A. Wilson & Company, capitalized $800,000; firm has built more than eleven hundred modern homes since organization; largest organization of its kind in entire South; active leader of Young Men's Christian Association and interested in social, philanthropic and civic welfare; member Holland Lodge of Masons and director of Lumbermans National Bank.

M. M. GRAVES
BANKER AND COMMISSION MERCHANT

MEBANE MORROW GRAVES was born at Hempstead, Texas, September 12, 1871; educated in the Hempstead public schools, the A. and M. College of Texas, and the Alamo City Business College, San Antonio. He came to Houston in 1888 and was connected with the National Cotton Oil Company until 1896, when he became associated with the firm of Street & Graves, of which firm he was the junior member until its dissolution in January, 1913. At that time he organized the M. M. Graves Company, Incorporated, dealers in bagging and ties and cotton seed products, of which company he is the president.

Mr. Graves is a director and vice-president of the Houston National Exchange Bank, in which he is a large stockholder. He has been a director of the Bankers Trust Company since its organization and is also a director of the Schmidt-Madigin Grocery Company; largely interested in realty holdings in Houston and San Antonio.

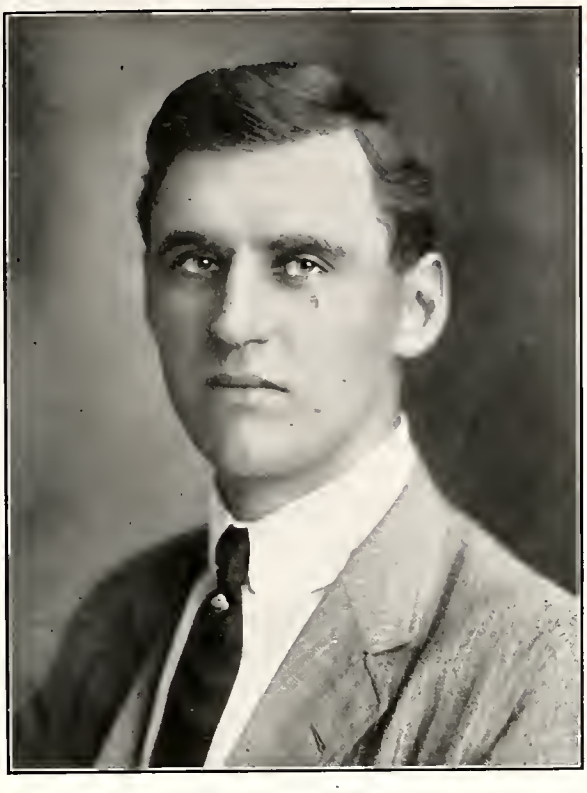
Is a member of the Cotton Exchange, Houston Club, Country Club, Thalian Club and Turn Verein and an honorary member of the Travis Club, San Antonio, besides belonging to several Masonic bodies. Was married on November 17, 1896, to Miss Mary L. Fagan of Nashville, Tenn.

SAMUEL BAILEY HOUX

SAMUEL BAILEY HOUX, vice-president and general manager of the American Construction Company and acting head of the firm since the recent death of President Douglas Burnett, was born of Missouri and Virginia parents in Warrensburg, Mo., June 5, 1878, the son of James Henry Houx and Mrs. Mary E. Wilson Houx. His grandfather was one of the first settlers in what is now Johnson County, Missouri.

Mr. Houx is a graduate of the Missouri State University and the Missouri State Normal School. Removed to Houston five years ago and rapidly became a figure prominent in the business and social life of the city. Under his skillful development and correct business management the American Construction Company has become one of the largest and most successful firms of its kind in the Southwest.

In October of 1908 Mr. Houx married Miss Louise Patterson; they have one child. Is a member of the Houston Club, the Dallas Club and the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity.

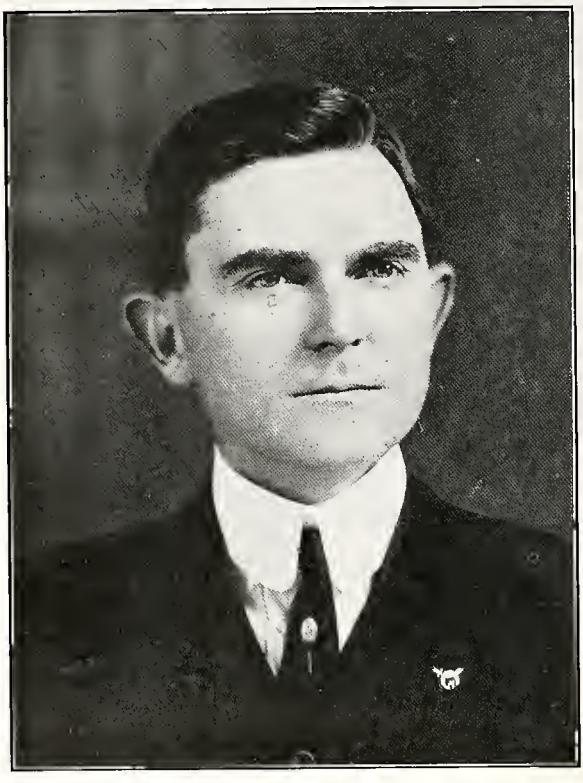


W. L. PEARSON
CIVIL ENGINEER

WILLIAM LEAR PEARSON, civil engineer, builder and contractor, was born in Bristol, England, September 13, 1884; graduated in engineering at the University of Michigan in 1905, taking the degree of Bachelor of Science. On leaving college Mr. Pearson became a contractor and builder. On August 1, 1910, he started in business for himself and since then has constructed some of the largest buildings and public improvements in the State, some of the more important contracts being the Interurban Viaduct, the Weld-Neville Cotton Warehouse, the Baptist Sanitarium, the Cotton Hotel, the Stowers Building, all of Houston. His firm has been awarded several large contracts in El Paso, Galveston, San Antonio and Tucson, Arizona.

Married Miss Ruey M. Webster of Grand Rapids, Mich., in 1905, and has two children.

He is a member of various clubs and societies and is regarded as one of the ablest engineers in Texas.



THOMAS KINNEY DIXON
MERCHANT

THOMAS KINNEY DIXON, member of the wholesale and retail grocery firm of Kessler & Dixon; born November 29, 1869, in Bastrop County, Texas; educated in public schools of that County and Alamo City Business College of San Antonio; 1889 clerk in offices of H. & T. C. R. R. at Paige, Texas; appointed agent there of that road and served until 1895; in that year came to Houston and entered into partnership in the house of J. F. Kessler, which then became the firm of Kessler & Dixon; December 12, 1894, married Miss Emma Kessler (daughter of his senior partner); one child, Thomas Kinney Dixon Jr.; director in Lumbermans National Bank, member Houston Club, Elks, a Mason, Knight Templar (Scottish Rite), member of the Sharks and the Rotary Club; one of the substantial business men of Houston and a backer of progressive movements.

IKE KELLER

IKE KELLER, manager of the Theodore Keller Company, wholesale grocers, was born in Houston February 2, 1876. He was educated in the public schools of this city, graduating from the Houston High School, and later graduated from the Connington Business College. Entered the employment of the Theodore Keller Company in his early youth and worked himself up to his present position of manager, succeeding the late Theodore Keller. He is widely known in Texas among business men. Is a member of the Houston Club, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Concordia Club, the Houston Turn Verein and the Rotary Club.

JOHN H. THOMPSON

JOHN HUNTER THOMPSON, vice-president and general manager of the Guarantee Life Insurance Company of Houston, one of the largest insurance organizations in the South, was born in Nelsonville, Texas, on October 22, 1872. His father, Dr. R. W. Thompson, was born in Dallas County, Ala.; his mother, Virginia Minton Thompson, was born in Austin County, Texas.

Mr. Thompson has been a resident of Houston for six years, during which time he has made his personality felt among the local citizenship. He is admired by friends and acquaintances as a keen, broad-minded business man, whose judgment rarely goes astray. He has been largely instrumental in placing the Guarantee Life Insurance Company on its present good basis. His conduct in this office has been such as to inspire the confidence of the policyholders and directors.

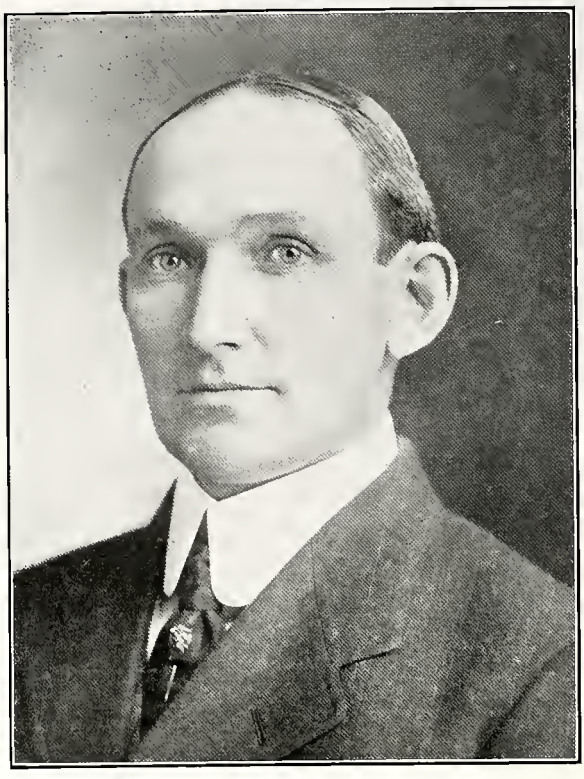
Besides his connection with the above organization Mr. Thompson is president of the Continental Trust Company, one of Houston's staple financial institutions. By profession he is an attorney at law. He served for three years as County Attorney of Austin County.

He is a member of the Masons, Shriners, the Houston Club and the Houston Country Club; was married on December 20, 1899, to Miss Tummie Faires. They have two children, Fairy and John H. Thompson Jr.

JAMES F. SADLER JR.
BANKER

JAMES F. SADLER JR., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Sadler of Weatherford, Texas, was born in Fannin County, Texas, February 18, 1882. He obtained a high school education at Bonham, Texas, and after leaving school engaged in the land mortgage business. In 1905 Mr. Sadler moved to Amarillo, Texas, and two years later, at the age of twenty-five, organized and became president of the Sadler Mortgage-Loan Company, a corporation. Later he was instrumental in organizing the First State Bank of Amarillo, of which he became president. Held this position until May, 1911, when he came to Houston to assist in the organization of the Continental Trust Company, of which he is active vice-president. Mr. Sadler is officially connected with the Guarantee Life Insurance Company of Houston and identified with several other institutions. He is a member of several societies and clubs, among them the Houston Club, the Elks, the Oleander Country Club and the Houston Press Club.

He married Miss Eugene Agnew of Bonham, Texas, May 8, 1907.

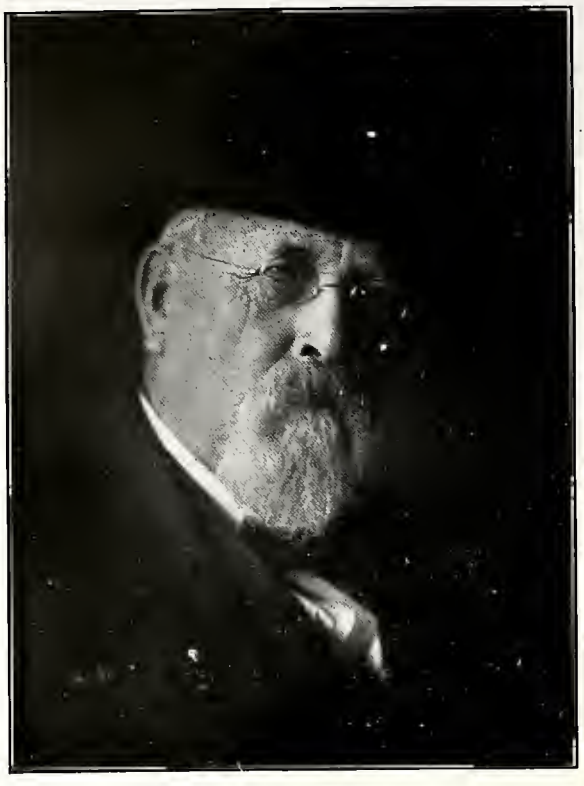


OSWALD SNIDER CARLTON

OSWALD SNIDER CARLTON, vice-president of the Great Southern Life Insurance Company, was born of Scotch-Irish parents at Brundidge, Alabama, October 25, 1868, and came to Texas at the age of three years. Since then he has lived continuously in this State. Since 1905 he has been a resident of Houston and one of the city's most active upbuilders, as well as a prominent participant in its social life. He has borne generously and well his share in the labor of advancing Houston to the rank she occupies—that of "the greatest city in the greatest State of the Union." Has been engaged in the life insurance business since April 1, 1889, and by unfailing fairness and the constant exercise of great energy as well as marked ability has risen to the commanding position he now holds, vice-president and acting head of a great life insurance company. Is a staunch Democrat and a steadfast supporter of party principles. An expert golfer and fox hunter. Member of the Houston Club, the Houston Country Club, the Houston Launch Club, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Married Miss Johnnie Mendez October 28, 1891; has two sons, Alva and Oswald Snider Carlton Jr.

CHARLES BOEDEKER
INSURANCE

CHARLES BOEDEKER, secretary Great Southern Life Insurance Company; born Columbus, Texas, December 18, 1868; educated at common schools and at A. and M. College of Texas; engaged in banking, railroad accounting and construction and life insurance management; with Great Southern Life Insurance Company, now one of largest companies in South; member of Houston Club, Houston Country Club, Thalian, Elks and Seabrook Club.



J. E. PIERCE
CAPITALIST AND RANCHMAN

JONATHAN EDWARDS PIERCE, capitalist, land owner and ranchman, founder and builder of the town of Blessing, Texas, was born at Little Compton, Rhode Island, December 6, 1839, and educated in the common schools of his native town. Colonel Pierce came to Texas in 1860 and accepted employment as a farm hand at $240 a year in Matagorda County. With his first savings he invested in Texas lands and thus laid the foundations for his fortune and in time became probably one of the largest land owners in Texas. He is a brother of the famous "Shanghai" (A. H.) Pierce, one of the State's wealthiest citizens at the time of his death a few years ago. With his brother Colonel Pierce engaged in the cattle business, the two becoming in the course of years among the largest ranchmen and cattle barons of Texas. With the advent of the Brownsville Railroad, passing over a large part of Colonel Pierce's property, the town of Blessing was founded and built. The town and the land adjoining it for many miles around formerly belonged to Colonel Pierce, who has devoted much of his time to making it a modern city.

He still has extensive holdings in land and ranch property at Blessing and in adjoining counties.

DR. JOHN AXTON MALONE
OSTEOPATH

DR. JOHN AXTON MALONE, osteopathic physician; born January 31, 1879, at San Marcos, Hays County, Texas; educated in the public schools and Coronal Institute, San Marcos; at Peacock's Military Academy, San Antonio, and at Ad-Ran University, Waco (now the Texas Christian University, Fort Worth); American School of Osteopathy at Kirksville, Mo. At the age of 21 went to California and took employment with the Los Angeles Electric Company, one year; next for four years in auditing and freight claims departments of the San Antonio & Aransas Pass Railway and in the freight and passenger departments of the Southern Pacific. Entered American School of Osteopathy 1905, graduated 1908; took charge of the practice of Drs. Peck and Peck at San Antonio four months; opened his own offices in Victoria, Texas, practising there until April 15, 1912; removed to Houston and took over the practice of Drs. Lynd and Lynd. Member Houston Club, Iota Tau Sigma Fraternity, Elks, American Osteopathic Association and Texas Osteopathic Association.

BENJAMIN A. RIESNER SR.

BENJAMIN AUGUST RIESNER Sr., capitalist, pioneer business man and builder up of Houston, was born in Brazoria County, Texas, February 19, 1856, and moved to Houston in 1885. This being before the establishment of a school system, he educated himself by study and reading and close observation. At the age of fourteen he apprenticed himself to a blacksmith, and five years later set up a shop of his own. This—now become one of the largest smithies in South Texas—he still conducts, and has added to it a structural steel department which is assuming large proportions. With his son, Ben A. Riesner Jr., he is in active management of this business.

By upright dealing and wise investments Mr. Riesner has accumulated a substantial fortune, and has freely spent his money for the upbuilding and advancement of Houston. He probably has built and owns more modern business structures and store buildings than any other man in Houston, and owns large tracts of land throughout Harris County.

In the last mayoralty campaign Mr. Riesner was offered the nomination as the ideal non-factional candidate, but declined it. From 1886 to 1892 he was a member of the City Council, was eight years a member of the Board of Public Works and six years its chairman; filled with ability the office of chairman of the Galveston Storm Relief Committee; was chairman of the Houston Democratic City Executive Committee.

In 1880 he married Miss Sophia Laritz, and to them have been born seven children.

BEN A. RIESNER JR.

BENJAMIN AUGUST RIESNER JR., son of Ben A. Riesner Sr., was born in Houston March 22, 1886, educated in the Houston public schools and Houston High School, and attended Notre Dame University of Notre Dame, Indiana, 1902 and 1903. Mr. Riesner would have completed his university course had he not been compelled to return to Houston to assist his father, who was ill at the time, in the management of his business.

While still a very young man, Mr. Riesner has shown the same high business qualities possessed by his father and is one of the most successful among the younger set of Houston's men of commerce.

While attending Notre Dame University Mr. Riesner at the risk of his life saved a fellow-student from drowning; this heroic act, it was stated at the time, would have made the hero eligible to a medal for bravery had an application been made.

Ben Riesner Jr. is associated with his father in business and is practically at the head of the structural steel department of his father's shop. He is a member of Harris County Democratic Executive Committee, the Houston Turn Verein and Houston Saengerbund.

THOMAS J. FATJO
PUBLISHER AND PRINTER

THOMAS J. FATJO, publisher and president of the printing firm of W. H. Coyle & Company, was born in New Orleans, La., December 18, 1876; attended public schools of New Orleans and on leaving school entered the rice business; abandoned this to enter the advertising field and has been connected with numerous papers. Was at one time advertising manager of the Houston Chronicle; was also business manager of the Austin Statesman, Austin, Texas, and after the death of the late W. H. Coyle he became connected with this firm, and subsequently was elected president of W. H. Coyle & Company, which is one of the largest printing concerns in Houston. Mr. Fatjo was married to Miss May Blanch Coyle in March, 1905, and has four children, two girls and two boys. He is a member of the Houston Press Club, the Houston Club and Holland Lodge No. 1, A. F. and A. M.

JOHN MITCHELL BOYLE
PRESIDENT EUREKA LAUNDRY COMPANY

JOHN MITCHELL BOYLE, proprietor of the Eureka Laundry; born in Caddo Parish, Louisiana, August 3, 1868, son of John Boyle, a native of Ireland, and Mrs. Winnie Townsen Boyle of Mississippi. Denied the ordinary advantages of the usual schooling, he set about the task of educating himself, and by his own efforts succeeded; is familiar with the best English and American writers, has a choice library and out of business hours can be found "at home among his books"; is a man of genial temperament and many friends; one of the solid business men of Houston.

Mr. Boyle was married in 1903 to Miss Rosie Islet. Is a member of the Aderaft Club and the Turn Verein.

EDWARD LOUIS FOX, M. D.
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON

DR. EDWARD LOUIS FOX, physician and surgeon; born at Urbana, Ohio, July 22, 1869; attended the Baraboo (Wisconsin) High School; graduated from Bennett Eclectic Medical College at Chicago and the Chicago University (Rush Medical College); house physician and surgeon of the Cook County Hospital at Chicago 1891-1893. Came to Houston in April of 1893 and since then has been actively engaged in the practice of his profession. President of the Pension Board and Deputy Collector of Customs for the Port of Houston. Is a charter member of the Houston Launch Club and owner of one of the first pleasure yachts on the Bayou—1899; a staunch worker for the Houston Ship Channel and a firm believer in its ultimate completion and success.

A. P. VAUGHAN

ASHLEY PELHAM VAUGHAN, familiarly known in press circles as "A. P."; born December 31, 1868, at Petersburg, Va.; is the Houston business manager for A. H. Belo & Company, publishers of the Galveston and Dallas News. He was educated mainly in his home town, at McCabe's University School and the public High School, and the Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville, Tenn.

Several years were passed traveling in Southern Europe, South America, and Australia. His first and only business failure was raising oranges in Florida.

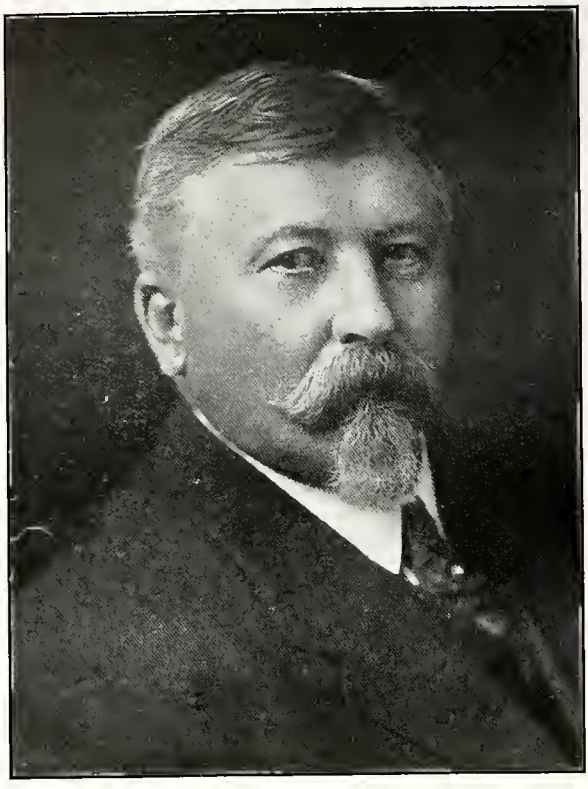
Mr. Vaughan was engaged in school work in Virginia for two years. He taught school within a stone's throw of the historic "crater," at Petersburg near the old Blandford Cemetery, a spot which poetry, romance and battle have rendered sacred in the hearts of Virginians.

After graduation at Peabody he continued in the educational field in Texas, serving in turn as assistant principal at Waxahachie, principal at Graham, Texas, and principal for seven years of the San Jacinto School, Dallas.

June, 1898, he retired from this position to take up newspaper work as traveling agent and correspondent for the Galveston and Dallas News.

Mr. Vaughan's service as the Houston business manager for the News began in November, 1900. He has built up a large local business for his papers.

Married, in 1891, Miss Mary Elizabeth Russell, a native of South Carolina and a classmate of his at Peabody. They have eight children, four boys and four girls.



HYMAN PRINCE

HYMAN PRINCE, brewer and ice manufacturer, manager and secretary of the American Brewing Association, on discarding the Gray Uniform for citizen's clothes left his Louisiana home for Texas, reaching Houston April 1, 1866, and has resided in Houston ever since, with the exception of several years spent in Galveston. He is the builder and principal owner of the Prince Theatre Building; is interested in various corporations and prominently identified with many public enterprises. He is a member of numerous social and beneficial organizations and clubs.

EDWARD WEIL

EDWARD WEIL, one of Houston's most progressive merchants, was born at Landau, Germany, on February 27, 1862. His training in early life was gained at the King's High School at Bavaria, Germany, from which he graduated at the age of seventeen.

After leaving school Mr. Weil entered business with his father and brothers, distillers of brandies and growers of fine wines. A few years later he came to America, and eventually settled in Houston, where he established the Edward Weil Company, a corporation with paid-in capital stock of $100,000, and which since started in 1905 has grown to be one of the largest importers and wholesale liquor dealers in Texas.

Mr. Weil was one of the first importers to have his purchases from Europe come direct to Houston, and as a progressive citizen was instrumental in having Houston made a direct port of entry, which gave this city a prestige seldom attained by an inland city.

As a member of the Turn Verein, Eagles, Knights of Pythias, Saengerbund, Concordia Club and the Press Club, he is directly associated with the live and progressive interests of Houston.

LEWIS ANDERSON

LEWIS ANDERSON, hotel man, capitalist and managing director of the Hotel Brazos, was born in Davidson County, Tennessee, September 4, 1863, and was educated at the Southwestern Presbyterian University at Clarksville, Tenn. He has traveled extensively throughout the United States, Canada and Europe.

In 1908 Mr. Anderson was made managing director of the Hotel Brazos and his ideas of originality have made that hostelry one of the most famous in the South and given it an individuality quite its own.

For several years Mr. Anderson was connected with a large wholesale hardware concern, and his territory included practically every State in the Union. He has a wide acquaintance among the hotel and traveling men, and is noted as a story-teller and wit. He is a member of the Press Club and one of its most loyal friends. As an entertainer he ranks with Simeon Ford. He is a finished scholar, has literary tastes and a love for good books.

J. J. SETTEGAST JR.

JULES JOSEPH SETTEGAST JR. was born in Houston, January 13, 1875, and educated in the Houston public schools and St. Edwards Academy, Austin, Texas; began business soon after leaving college to manage large real estate and corporation interests. As a member of the firm of Binz & Settegast, Mr. Settegast conducts large investments, loan and real estate business, and is actively interested in various industrial and manufacturing concerns.

He is president of the Houston Car Wheel & Machine Company; secretary-treasurer Tel-Electric Company; vice-president Settegast-Koph Company; director South Texas Commercial National Bank. Aside from his corporation interests Mr. Settegast has valuable realty holdings that claim a share of his attention.

He is one of the younger business men of Houston who directs large commercial activities and enterprises.

Mr. Settegast married Miss Melanye Binz June 20, 1898.

He is a member of the Houston Club and Turn Verein.

J. W. ROBINS
PRESIDENT TRINITY & BRAZOS VALLEY RAILWAY

UNDER the able direction of President J. W. Robins the Trinity & Brazos Valley Railway—the "Valley Road," as it is popularly known—has prospered exceedingly in the eight years of its existence. It is famed far and wide with the traveling public for its superior service between North and South Texas, and especially for the elegance of its electric-lighted standard Pullman sleepers, fitted with berth lights and fans. Total trackage of the Trinity & Brazos Valley is 382 miles; Southern terminus, Galveston; Northern terminus, Fort Worth; main points on line are Galveston, Houston, Teague, Corsicana, Waxahachie, Dallas, Fort Worth; branch line from Teague to Fort Worth takes in Mexia, Hubbard City, Malone, Hillsboro, Cleburne and way points. Is the road of speed and comfort bound north or south.

JAMES WILLIAM McCULLOUGH
AUDITOR FRISCO LINES

JAMES WILLIAM McCULLOUGH, auditor of the New Orleans, Texas & Mexico R. R. Co., the Beaumont, Sour Lake & Western Ry. Co., the Orange & Northwestern R. R. Co., Louisiana Southern Ry. Co., composing part of the Frisco Lines, Texas and Louisiana; born October 28, 1873, at Belleville, St. Clair County, Illinois; educated in the public schools of Belleville; completed a term in business college at St. Louis, and later studied law (for business reasons) two terms at Benton College of Law, St. Louis. Entered service of the Adams Express Company as stenographer; 1898 accepted position with the St. L. K. & N. W. R. R.; 1899 went to St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern; 1900 took position in accounting department of the M. K. & T. at St. Louis; 1907 went to accounting department of the St. L. & S. F. R. R.; 1908 appointed auditor of the Frisco Lines in Texas and Louisiana. Married Miss Louise E. Link in 1898 and has five children, Helen L., Norma K., Ralph E., Robert W. and Marjorie Alice. Is a Thirty-second Degree Mason, a Knight Templar and a Shriner.

OTTO SENS

OTTO SENS, sportsman, president of the Houston Baseball Association and proprietor of the Tremont Hotel, was born in Houston September 5, 1874, and graduated from the Houston Business College. He was brought up in the hotel business, and in fact was born and reared in the Tremont, of which he has been owner since 1904.

Mr. Sens is widely known as a sportsman and baseball enthusiast, and as the owner of the Houston Baseball Association has done much to elevate the standards of the great American game. Is a member of the Houston Press Club, the Houston Club, the Elks, the Turn Verein, the Houston Athletic Association, the Red Men, Knights of Pythias, and president of the Houston Gun Club. Mr. Sens maintains a beautiful home at Strang, near Houston, and has been the host of many notable entertainments.

GEORGE FRANCIS COTTER

GEORGE FRANCIS COTTER, vice-president of the National Lumber & Creosoting Company and president of the Logan Lumber Company; born June 30, 1873, at Towanda, Illinois; educated in the public schools; engaged in the railroad business from 1888 to 1909 with various lines in the United States and Canada, rising from position of telegraph operator to position of general superintendent; last in charge of the Colorado & Southern lines in Texas; entered the lumber business in 1909. Is a Hoo Hoo and a member of the Houston Club and the Houston Country Club.

FRED M. BISHOP

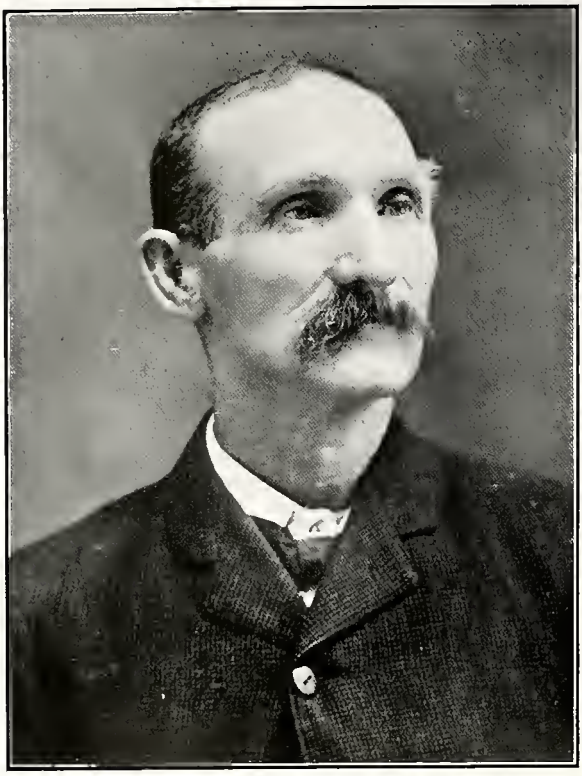
FRED M. BISHOP, amusement promoter, was born in New York City August 26, 1867. He was educated in the public schools of that city and under his father's tutelage in Europe, and graduated from the New York High School. In 1884 removed to Chicago and there engaged in the theatrical business until 1885, managing a stock company there and on the road. The following year as a member of the firm of Bishop & Clark he entered the amusement business in Chicago, continuing it until 1890 at 143 Madison Avenue. Here he made his first fortune.

In 1890 Mr. Bishop disposed of his partnership interest and removed to Chattanooga, Tenn., where he became manager of the Chattanooga Brewing Company. Three years later went to St. Louis and built the famous Forest Park Highlands. This he sold in 1902, and in February of the following year came to Houston, where he abandoned an intended tour of the world to make this city his home. Here he built Highland Park Amusement Park, which he controlled until its absorption by the Houston Electric Company.

Mr. Bishop established Sunday theatrical amusements in Houston, the first in Texas, and was manager of the old Empire Theatre, now the Old Majestic. In 1901 assumed the building superintendency and management of the City Auditorium, which he directed to its completion in 1912. He is a man of warm heart and numberless quiet charities, public spirited and a builder. He belongs to the Chamber of Commerce, and is a member of the firm of Bishop & Clark.

W. L. EDMUNDSON
WHOLESALE HAY

WILLIAM LEONARD EDMUNDSON was born at Galveston, Texas, January 15, 1878. He is an Elk; a member of the Houston Light Guard Club, and for a number of years has been secretary of Trinity Church Vestry. When the shipping of South Texas prairie hay was at its incipiency, Mr. Edmundson entered the wholesale business of shipping this product. At that time the markets for South Texas prairie hay were confined principally to Houston and Galveston and to which points the South Texas haymakers hauled their hay on wagons, but chiefly through Mr. Edmundson's efforts South Texas prairie hay has been introdueed on the markets in several States. He has been the big factor in making a staple product of South Texas prairie hay. Since Mr. Edmundson engaged in the wholesale hay business, the farmers of South Texas have found their hay crop to be as staple as their cotton crop, as the South Texas farmers now have ready market and cash advances for their hay. In addition to the wholesale hay business, Mr. Edmundson is actively engaged in close-in acreage, being the owner of several tracts just east of the city, and among which is the "Edmundson Addition" on Leeland Avenue, which is rapidly building with nice homes.



MATT. DRENNAN

MATT. DRENNAN, Street Commissioner of the City of Houston and in private life a contractor, was born March 31, 1858, in New York City, and was educated in the public schools of New York. Possessed of a natural bent for practical things, at an early age he went to work in the coal mines of Pennsylvania. In 1875 came from Scranton, Pa., to Galveston, Texas, and there was engaged as foreman by the G. C. & S. F. R. R., whose employment he left in 1882 to go to East Texas as a grader on the Sabine & East Texas Railroad.

Mr. Drennan came to Houston in 1884 and for four years was foreman at the plant of the Houston Packing Company. Since that time he has been successfully engaged in the contracting business. Has been a Commissioner of the City of Houston six years.

In 1880 Mr. Drennan married Miss Monroe of Waco, Texas, and to them four children have been born, two boys and two girls.

M. FRANK HAMMOND
SHERIFF HARRIS COUNTY

MARION FRANK HAMMOND, Sheriff of Harris County, born at Kosse, Texas, July 22, 1872; attended public schools of Kosse; married Miss Ila Pearl Winfield of Limestone County, Alabama, November 24, 1894; five children, four girls and one boy: Eldred, 16; Marion, 14; Gladys, 12; Janice, 10; Hope, 4; removed to Houston in 1896; engaged in real estate business; became a member of Houston Police Department in 1897, serving for four years; resigned to engage in railroad service; candidate for Sheriff of Harris County in 1910; election was contested; successful candidate for Sheriff in 1912, receiving overwhelming majority; member of Masonic Lodge, Woodmen of the World, Moose, Eagles and various clubs and societies.

W. H. GRAY
LAWYER

WILLIAM HENRY GRAY, lawyer; born at Overton, Texas, August 10, 1877; educated in the public schools until 13 years of age; from 13 to 17 lived on a ranch in West Texas; from 17 to 20 a school teacher, then a soldier in the Spanish-American War, Company I, Third Texas Volunteers; studied law in the University of Texas, class of 1898-1899; admitted to the bar and established himself in the practise of law; has traveled everywhere in the West Indies, in Central America, in Northern South America and in Mexico. Has gained national reputation by his systematic fighting against Standard Oil, a campaign which he plunged into in 1902; made the fight with Colonel Jake Wolters against Statewide Prohibition in 1911; subsequently was tried and sent to jail for standing upon what he held to be his legal rights; won the greatest legal battle ever waged by an individual against Standard Oil (1912) and became known in Wall Street as "The Nemesis of 26 Broadway." Author (1912) of "The Rule of Reason," a story laying bare the operations and machinations of Standard Oil in Texas. Member of Houston Press and various professional and business societies and organizations.

LEON SONFIELD
LAWYER

LEON SONFIELD, member of the law firm of Campbell, Sonfield, Sewall & Myer; born April 16, 1866, at Memphis, Tennessee, and studied law at Galveston, Texas, in the office of Spencer & Kincaid; admitted to the Bar at Galveston March, 1898, and practised there until after the great storm of 1900. Removed to Beaumont and there formed partnership which became the law firm of Smith, Crawford & Sonfield. Was author of Navigation District Bill passed by Legislature under which Houston and Beaumont organized Navigation District. Upon the election to the Mayoralty of the Hon. Ben S. Campbell Mr. Sonfield was invited to enter the firm of Campbell, Sewall & Myer, which he did, coming to Houston March 15, 1913. Was City Attorney of Beaumont 1902-1904; is a member of all of the Beaumont clubs; an Elk, Mason, Knight Templar, Shriner, and member of the Houston Club.

THOMAS M. KENNERLY
COUNSEL HOUSTON OIL COMPANY OF TEXAS

THOMAS M. KENNERLY, practising lawyer and counsel for the Houston Oil Company of Texas; born Lee County, Texas, January 24, 1874; grandson of Everton Kennerly, who emigrated to Texas in 1829; graduated from Giddings (Texas) High School; read law in offices of N. A. Rector, R. E. Harris and Judge Ed. R. Sinks; admitted to bar 1893 and practised at Giddings until May, 1897, when he came to Houston and opened general practice.

June, 1903, appointed Referee in Bankruptcy for Houston Division United States Court, subsequently of Galveston and Victoria Divisions of that Court. Resigned 1906 to become counsel for Houston Oil Company of Texas, having perhaps the largest landed holdings of any corporation in the South. Although a typical Southerner and Texan, is a Republican. Member Baptist Church and one of founders of the Baptist Sanitarium and Hospital of Houston, also of Star of Hope Mission and several of younger Baptist churches of Houston and vicinity.

W. T. CARTER
LUMBERMAN—BANKER—CAPITALIST

WILLIAM THOMAS CARTER, lumberman, banker, capitalist, president of the W. T. Carter Lumber Company and well-known Houston financier, was born in Tyler, Texas, February 4, 1856; son of John J. and Jane Agnes Carter, both natives of Georgia. Mr. Carter has been engaged in the lumber business in Texas for thirty-eight years and is one of the most widely known and successful lumbermen in the South. As president of the W. T. Carter Lumber Company he has built up one of the largest concerns in Houston, owning extensive holdings in various sections of Texas. Mr. Carter has been a resident of Houston eleven years and both he and his family have been actively identified with the social life of the city. He is a member of the Houston Club, the Country Club, the Elks, the Thalian Club, the Chamber of Commerce and Cotton Exchange. He is also a director of the Union National Bank and the Bankers Trust Company. He was married to Miss Maud Holley January 16, 1879. His children are: Mrs. J. J. Carrol, Mrs. J. L. Taylor, W. T. Carter Jr., Agnese J., Aubrey L., and Frankie Carter.

CHARLES GUY GRAHAM
LAWYER

CHARLES GUY GRAHAM, lawyer, was born on a farm near Franklin, Robertson County, Texas, on April 5, 1879. Until twenty years of age he farmed, and then went to school at Georgetown, Texas, where he spent four years. Studying law at night and at spare time, he passed the bar examination and began the practice of law at Houston in 1906. He is a Democrat and a member of the Methodist Church. As a member of the Tom Campbell Rifles Mr. Graham saw active service in the Spanish-American War, being a member of Company I, First Texas Infantry. He is a member of the Modern Order of Praetorians, Houston Club and the Houston Athletic Association.

GEORGE M. HENDERSON
CAPITALIST AND INVESTOR

GEORGE M. HENDERSON, capitalist and investor; born Geneseo, Illinois, December 30, 1869; educated public schools and Collegiate Institute of Geneseo. Extensive operator in real estate enterprises; has resided in Houston seven years, now engaged in large colonization projects; married Miss Genevieve Randall, September 19, 1895, Dallas Center, Iowa.

THEODORE F. KOCH
COLONIZER

THEODORE F. KOCH, senior member of the firm of Theo. F. Koch & Company, owners and colonizers of Texas Gulf Coast lands, is a colonizer of great experience, having located a number of colonies in Minnesota and other Northern States. This firm became interested in South Texas lands in the Spring of 1907, when Theo. F. Koch & Company made their first purchase of twenty thousand acres in Southern Nueces County out of the large King Ranch and also a similar acreage near Palacios in Matagorda and Jackson Counties, which purchases have since been supplemented by several other tracts in the same locality and also by purchases aggregating twenty-six thousand acres in Jefferson and Chambers Counties near Winnie and Hamshire, on which lands a large colony of Hollanders and Germans is located.

For development of the Nueces County lands the Riviera Beach & Western Railway was organized by members of Theo. F. Koch & Company and they have built this railroad, which is now complete and in operation, Theodore F. Koch being the president.

Mr. Koch was born in Arnhem, Holland, fifty-nine years ago and graduated from the High School of his native town. He came to Chicago in 1884 and immediately engaged in the land and colonization business, later removing to St. Paul, Minnesota, and from there to Texas in 1907.

The firm of Theo. F. Koch & Company consists of several members but the chief management is in charge of Theodore F. Koch. The firm's affairs are on a sound basis and they have the reputation of giving the farmers a square deal. Theodore F. Koch is one of the charter members of the Houston Country Club.

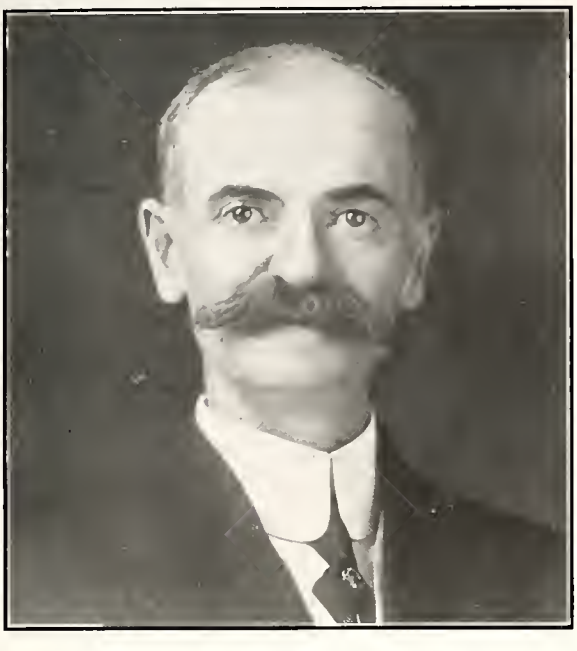
DAVID McCOWAN GARVIN

DAVID McCOWAN GARVIN, president of the Bay Ridge Park Corporation, treasurer and general manager of the Lone Star Oil Company, was born September 14, 1848, in Virginia, and received a public school education. Prior to 1892 he traveled extensively in every State of the Union east of Colorado, and in 1893 established at Houston the Lone Star Oil Company; in the '70s he had constructed several large oil refineries at Cleveland, O., and from 1878 to 1889 was general manager of the Phoenix Oil Company.

Mr. Garvin is looked upon as one of the strong men whose faith in the future of Houston, backed by keen business judgment and untiring energy, has built up the city to its splendid present and gone far toward assuring its greater future. A man of the broad, progressive type, he has stood unfailingly for the best in political, civic and social advancement. Politically it has been his life-long rule to vote for the man instead of for the party back of the man.

DR. EDWIN D. LUNN
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON

DR. EDWIN D. LUNN, physician and surgeon, chief physician Lunn's Sanitarium and prominent Houston doctor, was born at Matagorda, Texas, March 25, 1871; educated University of Louisville, class of 1890, and University of Berlin 1892; has done extensive research work in this country and Europe; married Miss Sue Keller of Houston 1893. Owner and physician in charge of Lunn's Sanitarium of Houston; prominent Shriner. Widely known among medical fraternity of the South.



JUDGE MICHAEL McDONALD

JUDGE MICHAEL McDONALD is one of the best known men in Harris County and this section of the State. He was sixteen years Justice of the Peace and resigned from that office during August, 1911. During his long term of office Judge McDonald established rules of procedure which have been followed by others to an advantage and he gained many and fast friends by the humanitarian methods he applied in the trial of cases. Since resigning from public office Judge McDonald has spent his time in attending to his interests in the oil business and other enterprises which were begun during his term of office. Very recently he has been traveling in the Western part of the Continent

JACAMIAH SEAMAN DAUGHERTY

JACAMIAH SEAMAN DAUGHERTY was born in Sullivan County, Mo., August 25, 1849, the oldest of a family of five children. His mother and he held the fort at home during the four years his father gave to the "Lost Cause," as Captain in General Price's army. He attended the public schools of his community and entered the Kentucky University the fall of 1869, and remained till the fall of 1872. He came to Dallas County in the fall of 1872, and taught school till July, 1873. He opened a land office in Dallas, September 15, 1873, and has since been engaged in the land business. Individually, and as member of the firm of Daugherty, Connellee & Ammerman, he located several million acres of land. They put down the first well ever dug on the Staked Plains. He is author of the "Business League" idea in the United States. Served as chairman of the first league in Dallas from 1882 to 1888, giving his time and paying his part of the expense of the committee. This committee laid the foundation upon which Dallas has grown. He organized, in 1882, the first Real Estate Association ever had in Texas; and was elected its chairman. As chairman of that association, he brought on the fight that caused the cattlemen to have to pay the public school fund of the State $250,000 to $500,000 per annum, as rents for school lands they had previously grazed for nothing. In 1888 he organized "The Texas Bureau of Immigration," composed of a representative from each Senatorial district. He was elected its chairman over D. C. Giddings, of Brenham, by a vote of 20 to 11. As chairman of this Bureau, he brought on the fight that resulted in the Texas Railroad Commission.

In 1873 the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress, by unanimous vote, asked him to prepare an address to the people of the United States on the silver question, which he did; and elected him orator of Silver Day, at the Chicago World's Fair. When Richard P. Bland made his argument in 1893, in behalf of the free coinage of silver, he asked and received unanimous consent of Congress to have Mr. Daugherty's address printed in the Congressional Record, as part of his argument on the question.

At that Trans-Mississippi Congress he offered a resolution that banks be required to provide a fund to protect their depositors against loss; and claims to be the first public advocate of that idea.

He was the member for Texas of the Good Roads Committee of the United States from 1890 to 1895, printing and distributing large quantities of good roads literature; and holding good roads meetings at his expense. In 1909 he was Chairman of the Harris County Drainage Association, and took the leading part in the creation of the first Drainage District in Harris County.

In 1910 he drafted resolutions and presented them to, and secured their adoption by, the Texas Industrial Congress, memorializing the United States Congress to locate a Naval Station, Navy Yard, Dry Docks, Arsenal and Ordnance Factory in Texas, the site to be selected by a Naval Board. He took an active part in securing the construction of a deep-water harbor at Galveston. During his forty years' residence in the State, there has been no question agitated, pertaining to its general welfare, that has not received his intelligent co-operation.

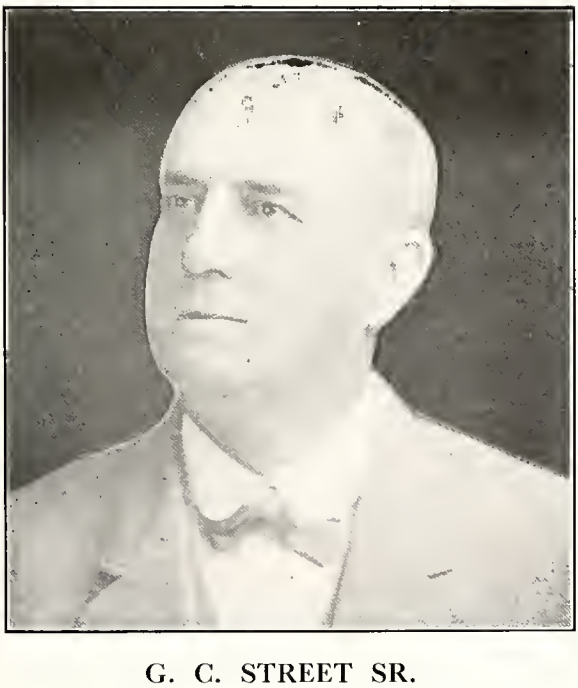
His Motto: We esteem character above profit.

His Observation: Nature will not honor a lie.

His Capital: Twenty-five years of incessant toil, to pay his debts (heaped upon him by the drouth, flood and panic) dollar for dollar, interest and cost, rather than wipe them out with the Bankrupt Act.

JOSEPH F. MEYER

Joseph F. Meyer, banker, wholesale hardware merchant and president of the Houston National Exchange Bank; born in Germany 1851; removed to Houston from Memphis in 1867; married Miss Rebecca Baker in 1884; served six years as Alderman of Houston and one year as County Commissioner of Harris County; one of organizers of Houston National Bank, now Houston National Exchange, of which he is president and director; president of Joseph F. Meyer Company. Member of Masons and Elks.



G. C. STREET SR.

G. C. Street Sr., familiarly known as "Gus" Street, president of the National Bank of Commerce, was born in Charleston, S. C.; removed to Houston in 1878 and engaged in the cotton oil mill business with the Howard Oil Mill, later known as the National, now the Industrial Cotton Oil Mill Company. Was in the cotton oil mill business until 1895, when he engaged in the commission business, the firm being Street & Graves, now G. C. Street & Company. Mr. Street served as Alderman during the late Mayor Holt's administration and was Chairman of the Finance Committee. By a singular coincidence he succeeded Colonel Holt as president of the National Bank of Commerce, the election taking place March 25, 1913. Mr. Street has large farming and real estate interests in Houston and Harris County and is well known in business and financial circles.

DeWITT C. DUNN

DeWitt C. Dunn, cashier of the Union National Bank and prominent in Houston financial circles, was born in Houston, January 17, 1882; son of Thomas C. and Linnie Tracy Dunn; educated public and private schools; entered banking firm of T. W. House in 1902 and remained for five years; with Union National Bank and Trust Company, now the Union National, since organization in 1905; now cashier and director; one of youngest bank cashiers in Texas. Married to Miss Bess C. Parker, daughter of Judge John W. Parker, 1907; has three children, Bess Parker Dunn, Dorothy Dunn, and DeWitt C. Dunn Jr.; prominent socially and member of Houston Country Club and Thalian Club.

WILLIAM SHEPHERD COCHRAN

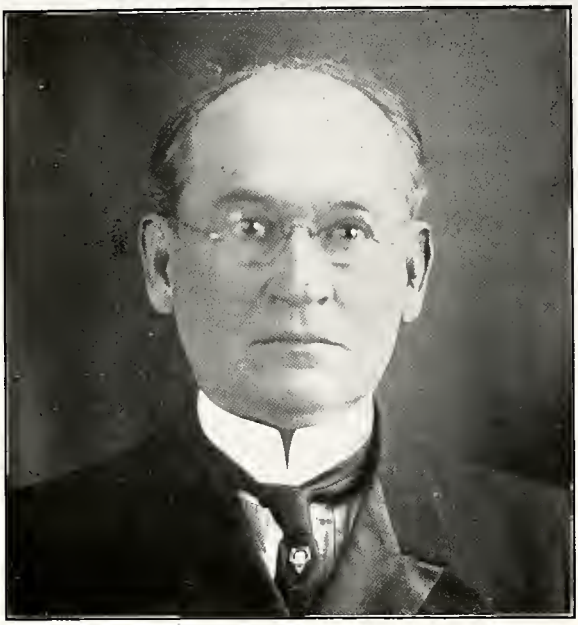
William Shepherd Cochran, vice-president of the First National Bank, was born in Houston August 14, 1879. His father, O. L. Cochran, was born in Tennessee; his mother, Mary A. Cochran, in Houston, Texas. Mr. Cochran received his education in the city schools and was graduated at Bingham College, Ashville, North Carolina, 1898. He embarked in the banking business fifteen years ago, since which time he has climbed the ladder rung by rung to the position he now holds. He is a member of the Houston Country Club, Houston Club, Thalian Club, Seabrook Hunting & Fishing Club, of which he is president, and the Houston Launch Club, of which he is treasurer. He was married in 1908 to Miss Annie J. Martin, and has one child, a daughter. He enjoys the distinction of having been appointed on March 22, 1911, by the Governor of Texas on the first Board of Pilot Commissioners for the port of Houston.

WILLIAM E. RICHARDS

William E. Richards, president of the Commonwealth Trust Company of Houston, was born December 27, 1870, at Fairfield, Texas, and was educated in the public schools; entered the general mercantile business in 1898 and the banking business in the same year, at Fairfield; removed to Houston in April of 1907; organized with a group of Houston financiers the Commonwealth Trust Company and became its chief presiding officer; in 1884 married Miss Mary Bonner at Fairfield, and to them has been born a daughter, Miss Fay Richards, now aged 16 years. Mr. Richards is a member of all the prominent Houston Clubs and is a Democrat.

JAMES APPLEBY

James Appleby, banker; born New York City April 28, 1854; educated in private schools of Flushing, N. Y., and of New York City; removed to Houston 1873; engaged in railroad service with H. & T. C. R. R. transportation department, five years; same capacity with H. E. & W. T. R. R. twenty-three years; City Commissioner of Houston 1905-1909; chairman Fire and Police Committee; is with Houston Land & Trust Company; member of the Elks; widely known among business and professional men of Houston.



DR. EDWARD PAXTON DAVISS

Dr. Edward Paxton Daviss was born at Fairfield, Texas, December 12, 1860, and was educated at Fairfield College. He graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine from Tulane University, New Orleans, in 1885, and was visiting physician to the New Orleans Charity Hospital 1888-1889. He took a post-graduate course at the Royal Ophthalmic Hospital in London in 1900, and in the same year was a delegate from the Texas State Medical Association to the International Medical Congress at Paris. He is a member of the several Texas medical associations and of the National Association of Physicians and Surgeons, the Association of United States Pension Surgeons, the National Association for the Advancement of Science, the Texas Historical Association, etc.

DR. EDWARD CLINTON MURRAY

Dr. Edward Clinton Murray was born December 15, 1875, at New Orleans, the son of Captain Hubert Murray and Marie Camille Aubert Murray. He was educated under private tutelage and at St. Aloysius Institute and Jesuit College, which conferred upon him in 1895 the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He graduated a Doctor of Medicine from Tulane University in 1898. From 1899 to 1901 was clinical assistant and resident surgeon at the New Orleans Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital, and from 1898 to 1902 was physician in charge of the New Orleans Home for the Incurables. He is a member of the American Medical Association, the Texas Medical Association, the South Texas Medical Association, the Harris County Medical Society, the Houston Country Club, the Houston Turn Verein and the Houston Press Club.

DR. HARVIN C. MOORE

Doctor Harvin C. Moore, physician, ex-president Harris County Medical Society, member American Medical Association, member State Medical Association, born Crockett, Texas, March 19, 1875; son of H. W. and Georgia Cooper Moore; graduate Southwestern University, class 1895; Tulane University class, 1898; first in practice at Hallettsville, Texas; removed to Houston 1902; post-graduate work in New York and Chicago 1906 in general practice; member Alpha Kappa Kappa Medical Fraternity, Knights of Pythias; married to Miss Mabel Peters, Beeville, Texas, December 23, 1902.

DR. SEELEY T. PULLIAM

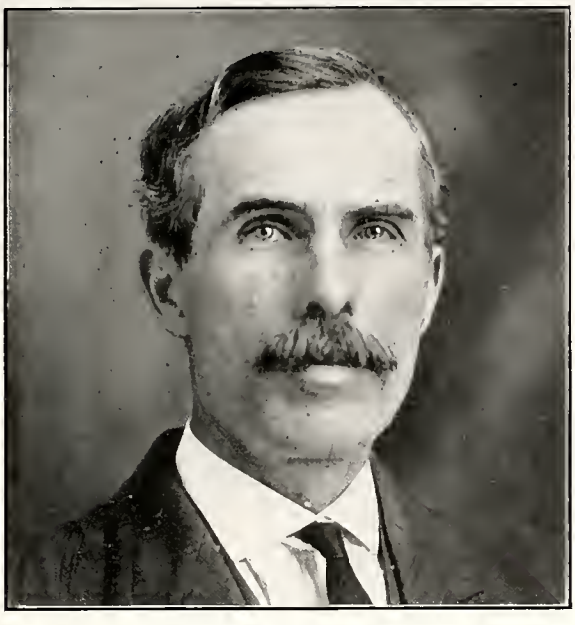
Dr. Seeley T. Pulliam was born in Pittsfield, Ill., November 17, 1874; son of Dr. L. C. and Mrs. M. S. Pulliam; educated Arcadia College, graduate Eclectic Medical College, Cincinnati, class of 1897; Cincinnati City Hospital 1898; New Orleans Polyclinic, 1909; engaged first in general practice Crowley, La., from 1898 to 1900; Tularosa, New Mexico, 1900 to 1905; returned to Crowley 1905 and remained until removing to Houston in 1910; practice limited for eight years to eye, ear, nose and throat; member Harris County Medical Society, Lamar Lodge Knights of Pythias; married Mrs. Irene G. Odom, Crowley, La., June 22, 1911.

DR. FELICIAN J. SLATAPER

Dr. Felician J. Slataper, Pathologist and Chemist of the City of Houston, was born at Chicago in 1880. He graduated from the High School at Alvin, Texas, and was further educated in the University of Texas. Was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine from the University of Pennsylvania (Philadelphia) in 1906, then served as an interne at the Episcopal Hospital in Philadelphia. Subsequently he was for three years division surgeon for the H. & T. C. R. R. and the H. E. & W. T. R. R. He is widely known for his work in meningitis and as a diagnostician of contagious diseases; also for his official work in behalf of pure foods (especially in milk and ice cream), and the fight he has made to suppress the illegal sale of habit-forming drugs. He is a Royal Arch Mason.

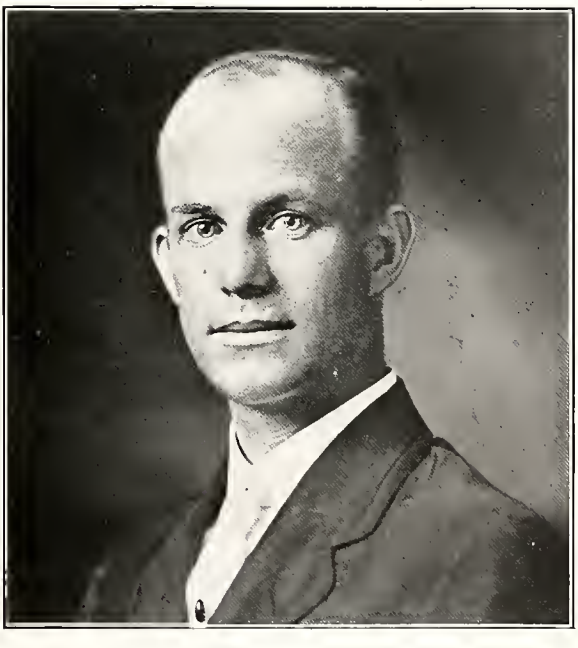
DR. JOHN WILLIAM THORN

Dr. John William Thorn, secretary and general manager of the Houston Infirmary, chief surgeon of the Houston Belt & Terminal Company, local surgeon of the M. K. & T. Railroad and of the St. L. B. & M. Railroad and president of the Heyer Drug Company; born in Lawrence County, Arkansas, January 11, 1866, and was educated in the public schools of Arkansas; graduated from the University of St. Louis; obtained his medical education at Beaumont Medical College, St. Louis, graduating an M. D. in 1898; was house surgeon of the St. Louis & Southwestern Railway Hospital at Tyler, Texas. Has been a resident of Houston four years and has had charge of the Houston Infirmary since 1910. Married Miss Myrtle Etter of Tyler, Texas, April 30, 1903. Is a Woodman of the World.



S. C. RED, M. D.

Dr. Samuel Clark Red, physician and surgeon, born Gay Hill, Texas, October 28, 1861; son of George Clark and Rebecca K. Red; graduated University of Texas 1885, Jefferson Medical College 1887; ex-vice president and ex-president of Texas State Medical Association; ex-chief surgeon Houston & Texas Central Railroad and Houston East & West Texas Railroad; county physician of Harris County 1891-1892; member of Houston School Board 1906-1908, then again 1912; director South Texas Commercial National Bank, Peden Iron & Steel Company and American Surety and Casualty Company; married (1st) to Miss Katherine Grosbeck (deceased) 1891, (2nd) Miss George Plunkett 1902. Contributor to scientific and medical journals; first to report, on this continent, a lacteal cyst, first surgeon to successfully treat fractures of hip and aneurisms by gradual ligation; widely known for work in operative surgery.



DR. CHARLES C. GREEN

Dr. Charles C. Green, City Health Officer of Houston and well-known physician and surgeon, was born at Selma, Alabama, March 22, 1882; graduated Vanderbilt University (Academic Department) 1901; Tulane University (Medical) 1910; resident physician Charity Hospital (New Orleans) 1908-1910; located in Houston 1910; engaged in general practice; Assistant City Health Officer 1911-1913; appointed City Health Officer by Mayor Ben Campbell April 25, 1913; member Thalian Club and Kappa Sigma fraternity.

DR. W. H. MARTIN

Dr. William Henry Martin, physician and surgeon and County Physician of Harris County, was born in New Orleans, La., October 7, 1870; educated New Orleans public schools and Tulane University (Medical Department), class of 1898; appointed same year chief surgeon for the William Cameron Lumber Company, Carmona, Texas; surgeon M. K. & T. Ry. Company, examiner New York Life Insurance Company; in general practice in Houston since 1902; Assistant County Physician 1908; appointed County Physician 1911; reappointed by County Commissioners April 28, 1913. Member of American Medical Association, South Texas Medical Association, Harris County Medical Association, Woodmen of the World, Knights and Ladies of Honor, Knights of Columbus, and Turn Verein. Married Miss Gertrude Brinkley, of Navasota, Texas, December 28, 1899.

DR. P. H. SCARDINO

Dr. Peter H. Scardino, physician and surgeon, Assistant City Health Officer of Houston, was born in the Province of Trapani, Italy, November 5, 1883, and came to America in 1890. He received his education at the Houston High School, St. Thomas College, Massey's Business College and at the hands of private tutors. He studied for one year in the University of Texas, Medical Department, then entered Tulane University of New Orleans, where he graduated in 1907. Returning to Houston he immediately engaged in the general practice of medicine and has been eminently successful. He was appointed Assistant City Health Officer by Mayor Ben Campbell, April 26, 1913. Dr. Scardino is deputy grand president of the A. K. K. fraternity, Houston Quartette Society, a member of the Harris County Medical Society, the American Medical Association, the Texas Medical Society (Southern Division) and the Eagles.

DR. J. L. TAYLOR

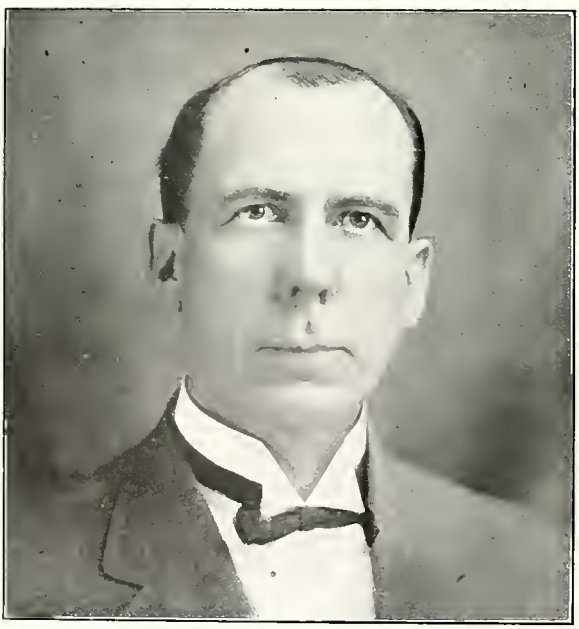
Judson Ludwell Taylor, physician and surgeon; born August 5, 1881, at Waverly, Texas; educated in the public schools and Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College and graduated (May, 1903) from Medical Department of the University of Texas; post-graduate work in United States Naval Medical School at Washington, D. C., and New York Post-Graduate Medical School, New York City; was house surgeon of the G. C. & S. F. Ry. Hospital at Temple, Texas, May to September, 1903; surgeon in the United States Navy 1903-1912; latter date was transferred to retired list of officers of the Navy; while on the active list of the Navy he served at the Naval Hospital at Pensacola, Fla., the Naval Medical School at Washington, D. C., and on board United States Ships Yankee, Dixie, Columbia, Chester; with the Army of Cuban Pacification 1906-1908; served at the United States Naval Hospital at Las Animas, Colo., and United States Naval Hospital at Philadelphia; August of 1912 began the private practice of medicine at Houston; is a member of the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States, American Medical Association, State Medical Association of Texas, Harris County Medical Society, Thalian Club and the Z Z Club.

DR. C. S. PRESTON

Dr. Charles Seymour Preston, capitalist and investor, was born at Paris, Ill., November 9, 1868, and educated in the University of Michigan and University of Pennsylvania, class of 1897; engaged in practice of dentistry at Greencastle, Ind., for several years; removed to Texas in 1907 and invested in oil properties north of Humble which he is now developing. Dr. Preston was married to Miss Dova Lloyd of Greencastle, Ind., December 30, 1896.

WILMER SPERRY HUNT

Wilmer Sperry Hunt, lawyer, was born at Ripley, Mississippi, March 26, 1870. He was educated in the Ripley Male Academy and in June 1894 graduated from the University of Texas with his degree of Bachelor of Laws. He began the active practice of law in Houston in July 1894 and in 1902 married Miss Lucy Sherman Brady, a daughter of the late Col. John T. Brady, for many years a prominent member of the Texas bar. He early took high place at the Houston bar and is at this time president of the Harris County Bar Association. He has the friendship of the men of his profession and the respect of the entire community. Is a member of the Houston Club, Country Club, Thalian Club, an Elk and a Mason, and also a member of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity. He is president of the John T. Brady Corporation, president of the Sherman Brady Brick Company, president of the Brady-Hamilton Land Company and a director in the South Texas Loan Association, and a member of other business concerns.



CLARENCE A. TEAGLE

Clarence A. Teagle, lawyer and orator, member of the firm of Hunt, Meyer & Teagle; born Staunton, Va., June 13, 1866; self-educated; removed to Texas and located at Orange; admitted to bar 1890; City Attorney of Orange and Beaumont eight years; member Twenty-sixth Legislature; radical Democrat; member Elks, Masons and Odd Fellows. Married Miss Lottie A. Carey, September, 1889.

E. W. TOWNES

Ernest Wildbahn Townes, of the firm of Carlton, Townes & Townes, was born at Austin, Texas, November 25, 1875, son of Judge John C. Townes, lawyer, former Judge, and now Dean of the Law Department of the University of Texas. Mr. Townes was educated at Webb's School at Bellbuckle, Tennessee, where he graduated in 1895, preparatory to entering the University of Texas; was graduated from the latter institution with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1898, and in 1900 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Mr. Townes comes of a long line of distinguished advocates and jurists and his success in the law has been marked. A finished scholar and thorough lawyer, he is recognized as one of the leaders among the younger members of the Houston bar. Before removing to Houston he practiced for a time at Austin and Beaumont; is a member of the Houston Club and various societies and organizations.

JOHN C. TOWNES JR.

John C. Townes Jr., member of the law firm of Baker, Botts, Parker & Garwood and former Secretary of the Harris County Bar Association, was born July 4, 1886, at Georgetown, Texas, the son of Judge John C. Townes of Austin (dean of the law department of the University of Texas) and Mrs. Kate W. Townes. Educated at White's School in Austin, Marion Military Institute at Marion, Ala., and graduated from law department of the University of Texas in June of 1909; became connected with Baker, Botts, Parker & Garwood in 1911; September 15, 1910, married Miss Helen Markle of Palestine, Texas.

CAPTAIN J. C. HUTCHESON

Captain J. C. Hutcheson, senior member of the law firm of Hutcheson & Hutcheson, Civil War veteran, was born May 18, 1842, in Mecklenburg County, Virginia, and was educated at Randolph Macon College and the University of Virginia. In 1861 enlisted in the Confederate Army at Richmond, Twenty-first Virginia Regiment, Colonel Gilliam, the president of Lexington Military College; served under Stonewall Jackson, and after his death under General Longstreet; wounded in the second battle of Manassas; commanded Company G, Fourteenth Virginia Regiment, and with Lee surrendered at Appomatox Court House. Captain Hutcheson came to Texas in 1866; in 1867 married Miss Mildred Carrington of Virginia; removed to Houston 1874 and established law practice; 1881 a member of the Seventeenth Texas Legislature, which enacted the law establishing the University of Texas, of which bill he was the author; 1892-1897 represented the Houston Congressional District in the Congress of the United States.

J. C. HUTCHESON JR.

Joseph Chappell Hutcheson Jr., lawyer and City Attorney of Houston, was born in Houston October 19, 1879, and educated at the Houston High School and Bethel Military Academy of Warrenton, Va., preparatory to entering the University of Virginia where he graduated in 1898. He next entered the Law School of the University of Texas, graduating as honor man of his class in 1900 and also chosen class valedictorian. After leaving the University of Texas Mr. Hutcheson immediately began the practice of law in Houston, forming a partnership with his father, Captain J. C. Hutcheson. The firm is one of the most successful in the State. The Hutcheson family is one of the oldest and most prominent in Houston and has long been identified with the social life of the city. The old Hutcheson homestead, where the Levy Apartments now stand, is one of the landmarks and historic spots of Houston. Mr. Hutcheson was appointed attorney of the City of Houston by Mayor Ben Campbell April 25, 1913. He is a member of the Thalian Club and Kappa Sigma fraternity. He was married to Miss Elizabeth Weeden of Austin December 21, 1905, and two children, Joseph Chappell III and Mary Pye, have graced their union.

HENRY J. DANNENBAUM

Henry J. Dannenbaum, Democrat and lawyer, was born at Columbia, Texas, on October 30, 1871, of German-Jewish parentage. Mr. Dannenbaum has resided in Houston for over twenty years, engaged in the practice of his profession. Following his early common-school education he attended Emory & Henry College in Virginia, from which he graduated in 1890. Read law privately and was admitted to the bar at Seguin, Texas, in 1892. Has been a member and president of the Houston School Board. In 1911 he was a special assistant to Attorney General Wickersham in charge of enforcing the Mann Act against white slave traffic and was located in New York City. He voluntarily retired from the work and received the commendation of Mr. Wickersham for his services. Has been president of the Hebrew Congregation Beth Israel of Houston, of District No. 7, Independent Order B'nai B'rith, and is a member of the Social Service Federation of Houston. He is married and has five children.

JUDGE ELBERT ROBERTS

Judge Elbert Roberts, Judge of the Corporation Court and one of the most prominent of the younger members of the Harris County Bar, was born at Hockley, Texas, September 28, 1882, and educated in the public schools. At the age of 20 he came to Houston and accepted a place as law clerk in the office of Hunt & Myer, studying law during his spare time. In 1907 he was admitted to the bar and continued with Hunt & Myer until January 1912, when he branched out for himself, soon afterward forming a partnership with Frank Williford Jr., and has since been engaged in the general practice. Judge Roberts was married to Miss Margaret Annie Peil at Hockley September 18, 1907; was appointed Judge of the Corporation Court by Mayor Campbell April 22, 1913.

SAM STREETMAN

Sam Streetman, former Associate Justice of the Court of Civil Appeals of Texas, and now a member of the widely known law firm of Andrews, Ball & Streetman, was born in Cameron, Milam County, Texas, January 14, 1870. Married in 1892 to Miss Flora McIver, of which marriage there are five children living. He is a graduate of the Southwestern University of Georgetown, Texas, 1888. He was licensed to practice law April 19, 1889, and practised at Cameron, Texas, until April of 1902. From that time until April, 1904, he held judicial office at Austin, Texas, from which he resigned to associate himself in the practice of law in Houston with Andrews and Ball, making the firm of Andrews, Ball & Streetman. He is a Democrat. From 1894 until 1896 he was County Judge of Milam County, Texas, and in April of 1902 was appointed Associate Justice of the Court of Civil Appeals of Texas, to which office he was elected in the following November. Is an Elder in the Presbyterian Church. He is a member of the Houston Club, the Thalian Club, the Houston Country Club and the Houston Launch Club.

PRESLEY K. EWING

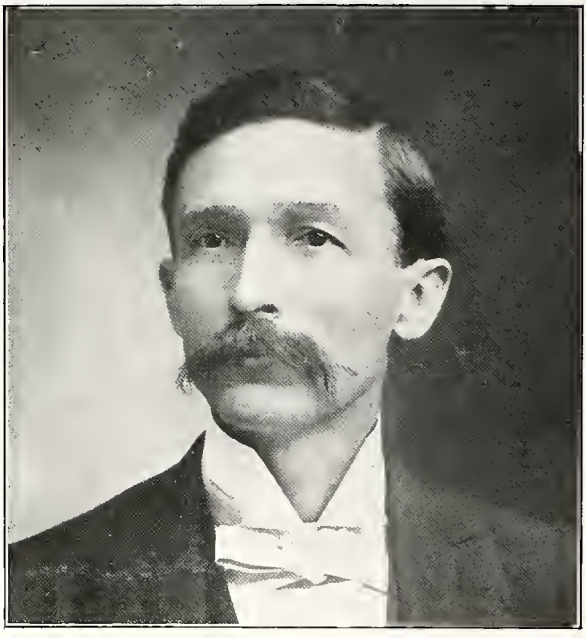
Presley Kittredge Ewing, lawyer and orator, born La Fourche, La., July 21, 1860; son of Fayette Clay (M. D.) and Eliza Kittredge Ewing; graduate University of Mississippi, 1881, Ph. D. and LL. B. (with first honor); married Mary Elinor Williams of La Fourche, La., February 10, 1885. Practised law in Houston since 1882; successfully represented at Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress at Wichita, Kan., May, 1899, the plan of government appropriation for deep-water gulf outlet from Houston. President Texas Bar Association, 1899; Special Chief Justice Supreme Court, Texas, 1905. Campaigned in East for National Democratic Committee in 1908.

RICHARD G. MAURY

Richard G. Maury, Criminal District Attorney of Harris County, Texas; born near Shuqulak, Mississippi, January 10, 1878; studied law in the offices of Cowan & Burney at Fort Worth, Texas, and was admitted to the bar of Tarrant County in 1900; elected Criminal District Attorney of Harris County in 1911 and re-elected in 1913 in spite of the fact he had three opponents against him in the field. Mr. Maury's conduct of the office of Public Prosecutor has been marked by great energy and firmness; he has got from juries more convictions in murder cases than were obtained by any of his predecessors, and under the existing fee system he has turned into the County Treasury thousands of dollars more than was remitted by any former Criminal District Attorney of Harris County. Member of the Elks, Woodmen of the World, Modern Woodmen, Knights of Pythias, Houston Light Guard, Houston Club, Thalian Club and Houston Turn Verein.

GEORGE DuBOSE SEARS

George DuBose Sears, lawyer, was born at Houston June 22, 1888, the son of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Sears; educated at the West Texas Military Academy and graduated from the academic and law departments of the University of Texas; has practised law in Houston since June 22, 1909; director of the Thalian Club and a member of the Houston Country Club, Houston Turn Verein and the Rotary Club.

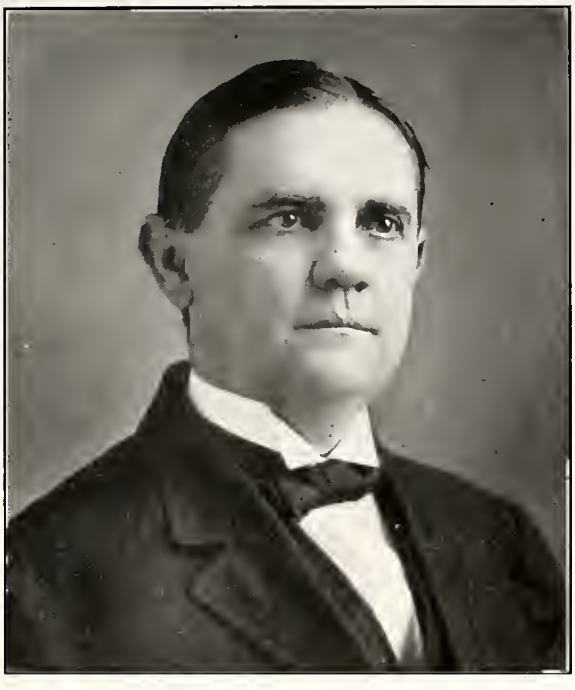


DAVID F. ROWE

David F. Rowe, practicing lawyer and member of the firm of Rowe & Doughty, was born in Brazoria County, Texas, August 30, 1864, and was educated in the public schools of this State. His parents settled in Brazoria County in 1835 as members of Austin's First Colony of 300. He there began the practice of law in 1886; moved to Houston in 1895, where he has been an active member of the Harris County Bar continuously since. In 1891 married Miss Bettie L. McGrew of Brazoria County. Is a staunch Democrat and a Mason.

LEONARD DOUGHTY

Leonard Doughty, member of the law firm of Rowe & Doughty, litterateur, was born at Loudon, Tennessee, December 3, 1865; educated in private schools at Bowling Green, Kentucky, and at the University of Texas; active in the practice of law, but has predilection toward a literary life; writer of verse and literary criticism, and one of the editors of the new alumni magazine of the University of Texas, "The Alcalde." In 1890 married Miss Edith May Triplett, who died in 1896. Their two children are Miss Edith May Doughty and Leonard Doughty Jr., who is a cadet at West Point. In 1909 Mr. Doughty married Miss Annie Blakeney of San Saba, Texas, and they have one son, John Franklin Doughty.



JUDGE S. H. BRASHEAR

Judge Sam Houston Brashear, jurist and lawyer, ex-mayor of Houston, born Houston, July 9, 1866; educated public schools; admitted to bar April 1887; has practiced continuously except four years while on the bench; elected City Attorney 1892; District Judge same year; elected Mayor of Houston 1898 and re-elected in 1900; while Mayor inaugurated many wholesome reforms; forced street car company to issue transfers; resisted water and electric companies' efforts to overcharge city, saving thousands of dollars to citizens; purchased Sam Houston Park; inaugurated present sanitary sewerage system and filter beds; author of ordinance refunding citizens $400,000 of paving assessments, and upheld by Supreme Court in a case in which he represented the citizens; married June, 1893, to Miss Josephine Pereira; has one son, John Brashear; is first president of Carnegie Library Association; member of Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias.

JOHN W. PARKER

John W. Parker, lawyer, born June 23, 1861; educated in the common schools; admitted to the bar at the age of twenty; practiced law in Williamson County up to 1903 and since that time in Houston.

FRANK CAMERON JONES

Frank Cameron Jones, member of law firm Gill, Jones & Stone, born Kingsville, Mo., 1873; received education in Texas preparatory schools and in 1893 received his B. A. degree at Richmond College, Richmond, Va.; was in lumber business one year then entered the University of Texas, graduating in 1896 with degree of LL. B.; has practiced in Houston since that date; was partner of Governor James S. Hogg up to the time of latter's death. Is a member of Beta Theta Pi Fraternity and ex-president of Pan Hellenic Association; an enthusiastic Mason; received thirty-third degree and all the degrees in York and Scottish Rites; is a life member of the Hoo Hoos, a member of the Sons of Jove, also the Thalian, Country and Houston Clubs; vice-president of the Fred A. Jones Company, secretary and treasurer Houston Loan and Land Company, director in the Brown-Woods Electric Company, Taylor Guthrie Land Company, and other corporations. Married Miss Bessie Baker of Bonham, Texas, 1902, and has two children—Margaret and Frank Jones Jr.

MURRAY B. JONES

Murray Brashear Jones, son of Colonel James Warren and Sallie Brashear Jones; lawyer and assistant District Attorney; was born in Houston, October 25, 1886; graduated academic department University of Texas, 1907; Princeton University, 1908, degree Bachelor of Literature; L. L. B., University of Texas, 1910, and admitted to the bar the same year. Began practice of law in Houston, and appointed Assistant District Attorney Harris County. Democrat. Married November 22, 1911, to Miss Alice Graham Baker, daughter of Captain and Mrs. James A. Baker. Is a member of the Houston Press Club, Masons, Elks, Houston Club, Houston Country Club, Houston Light Guard and Thalian Club.

R. L. WHITEHEAD

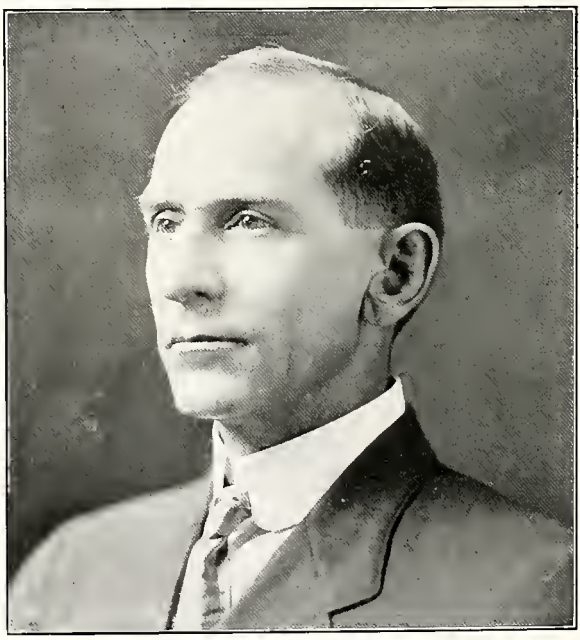
Roy Lacy Whitehead, lawyer, County Attorney Harris County; born Houston, August 10, 1871; educated in public schools Houston and Austin; admitted to bar 1894 and has been in active practice since; married Miss Ethel M. Laughton, Corpus Christi, Texas, May 22, 1907; appointed County Attorney Harris County and later re-appointed; member Knights of Pythias, Masons, Odd Fellows, Red Men, and D. O. K. K.

THOMAS W. FORD

Thomas W. Ford, lawyer, president of the Sour Lake Chemical Company and promoter of various business enterprises; born at Burkeville, Newton County, Texas, October 6, 1847, of French Huguenot ancestry; his grandfather, John Ford, was a Mississippi planter; his father, David Ford of Burkeville, an influential planter and slave-owner; he interrupted his public schooling at age of 17 to enlist (1865), just before the surrender of Lee, in Whitfield's Legion, General Sul Ross, Texas Cavalry Brigade, under General Earl Van Dorn; later graduated in the law from Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tenn. (1875), and began practice in Burkeville, later removing to Houston. He was a member of the Sixteenth Legislature, representing the Counties of Newton, Jasper and Orange. His career at the bar has been successful and full of dignity, and he has won prominence in business and public affairs. In 1871 married Miss Mary A. Cheatham, daughter of an old and influential Texas family; she died in 1902, the mother of seven children. Mr. Ford is a Mason, Knight Templar and Shriner; member of the Board of Stewards of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of Houston.

JUDGE ALFRED R. HAMBLEN

Judge Alfred R. Hamblen, lawyer; born March 16, 1877, at Houston, Texas, and was educated in the public schools of this city; studied law in offices and has maintained his own law offices the past twenty-three years. Has practised in Houston fifteen years; three times elected by the Harris County Bar Association to act as Special County Judge, and was once elected Special District Judge of the Sixty-first Judicial District Court. Is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and of the Houston Turn Verein



T. H. STONE

Thomas Hampton Stone, lawyer, born Jasper County, Texas, December 5, 1871; son of Thomas M. and Emily Kyle Stone; graduated Law Department University of Texas, 1896, and removed to Houston same year and engaged in practice of law; married Miss Florence Ford February 23, 1898; elected City Attorney of Houston in 1902, serving for two terms; author of Houston City Charter, providing for commission form of government, and adopted by City and State Legislature; active in business and social life of city; director of Chamber of Commerce, ex-president of the Houston Club; member of the Houston Press Club, Houston Country Club, Thalian Club, Elks, and a Mason.

NEWTON COVELL ABBOTT

Newton Covell Abbott, lawyer and former City Attorney of Lincoln, Nebraska, was born at Churchville, N. Y., March 19, 1851, and was educated in the public schools of his native State. Read law in Lincoln, Neb.; admitted to the bar in that city in 1878, and was City Attorney of Lincoln six years, 1892-1898. Is a Republican. From admission to the bar continued to practise law in Lincoln until 1901, when he came to Houston, where he rapidly built up a successful career at the bar. January 15, 1879, married Miss Emma J. Howard.

HENRY E. KAHN

Henry E. Kahn, one of the most widely known criminal lawyers in Texas, was born in Germany June 26, 1876, and was educated in the public schools of Germany and of Gainesville, Texas, graduating from the Gainesville High School in 1895. He attended the Law Department of the University of Texas 1895, 1896, 1897 and was graduated in the latter year with the degree LL. B. Began the practice of law in Gainesville, then removed to Houston, and in 1899 formed a partnership with J. B. Brockman which lasted until the latter's death, October 26, 1910. Mr. Kahn is now senior member of the firm of Kahn, Williams & King, which does probably the most extensive criminal practice in the State and has fought some of the most difficult and noted cases of recent years. The firm also has a civil practice. Mr. Kahn is a member of the Concordia Club, the Houston Turn Verein, the Houston Press Club, the Sons of Herman, Knights of Pythias, the Dramatic Order of the Knights of Khorrassan, the Red Men, and the Woodmen of the World. December 28, 1910, he married Miss Lottie Beatrice Schermann of Chicago, Ill.

SAM T. ROBB

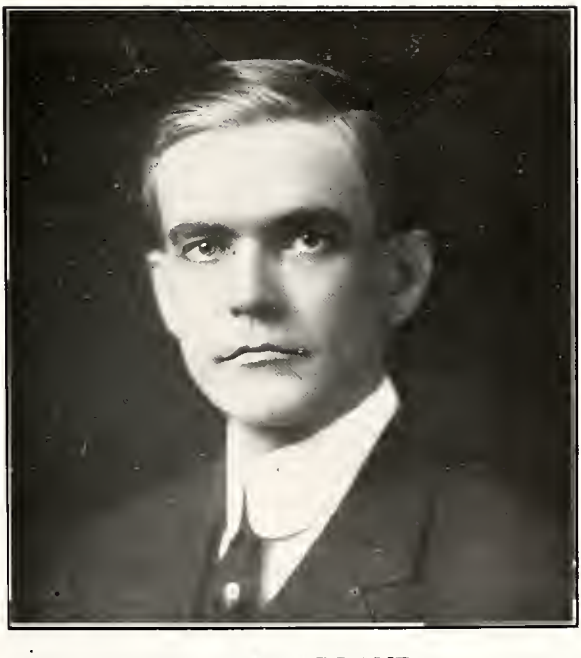
Sam T. Robb, assistant local attorney for the Houston Oil Company of Texas, was born June 20, 1882, at Pennington, Trinity County, Texas, the son of S. A. Robb and Mrs. Cora N. Robb (nee Nolms); educated in the public schools of Texas and took a thorough university course, receiving the degree of Ph. B. from Baylor University at Waco, Texas, and the degree of A. B. from Yale. Stu lied law at the University of Texas and entered upon the practice of it in 1910. Is a director of the Channel City Investment Company. Member of the Thalian Club, Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, and a Mason.

THOMAS J. DONOGHUE

Thomas J. Donoghue, third vice-president of the Texas Company, was born in Titusville, Pa., May 13, 1869. His parents were Canadians, his father, Cornelius C. Donoghue, having been born in Kingston, Ontario, while his mother, Catherine M. Donoghue, was born in Toronto in the same Province. His ancestors migrated to Canada from Ireland in 1825, and were instrumental in the progress of the commercial life of their communities. Mr. Donoghue has been in Houston six years, having moved here when the great corporation with which he is connected came to Houston as the most logical point in the whole Southwest. Mr. Donoghue's service to the Texas Company is known to every oil man in Texas, and to many others in no way connected with that industry. He has seen the oil industry in Texas develop from its infancy to its present magnitude, and no one is better informed on oil subjects than he. Was married in Bradford, Pa., in 1896, to Miss Mary E. Sullivan, and has three children—Francis, Gerald and Mary. Aside from being prominent in the Knights of Columbus is a member of the Houston Club, the Houston Country Club and the Thalian Club.

ALFRED RYLAND HOWARD

Alfred Ryland Howard, secretary and treasurer of the International & Great Northern Railroad; born April 20, 1852, at Philadelphia, Pa., son of the Rev. Horatio C. Howard and Mrs. Frances Howard; educated in public schools and graduated from Philadelphia High School. First entered business in the employment of Philadelphia branch house of A. T. Stewart & Co., 1869; came by vessel to Galveston 1871 and entered employment of the International Railroad (before its consolidation with the Great Northern), at Hearne; came to Houston 1872, remaining until 1875, with same road; paymaster I. & G. N. Ry. at Palestine 1875-1881; same at St. Louis 1881-1888; stationed at Palestine as assistant treasurer 1888-1891; made secretary and treasurer 1890, removing to Houston in that capacity September 1911. Married Miss Georgia Granger in Houston 1875; three sons; Mrs. Howard's death occurred in 1896, and in 1899 Mr. Howard married Mrs. Katie Black Pierson of Okalona, Miss. Is a member of the Thalian and Houston Clubs; past grand commander Knights Templar of Texas; grand commander 1900-1901.



IRA McFARLAND

Ira McFarland, comptroller of the Texas Company and former auditor of that corporation, was born August 13, 1879, at Johnstown, Pennsylvania, and was educated in the public schools of Bradford, Pa. His introduction to the oil business was as a messenger boy, and from this humble position he steadily worked himself up. Went with the Texas Company November 1, 1902, and rose to the position of auditor. After holding that office several years he was named comptroller of the corporation, an office of large responsibilities. Is a member of the Elks, the Houston Country Club and the Houston Turn Verein.

GEORGE LAWRENCE NOBLE

George Lawrence Noble, vice-president and manager of the fuel oil and railroad departments of the Texas Company, and well known in the railroad world through his long connection with Southern roads, was born in Lawrence, Kansas, November 26, 1868, of Scotch, Irish and German parentage. His father and mother were Pennsylvanians. Was educated in the public schools, and in his early youth went into the railroad business. He was with the Texas & Pacific Railroad eleven years and with the International & Great Northern eleven years. He has been a citizen of Texas since 1885. In 1892 at Dallas Mr. Noble married Miss P. G. Mann, and four children have been born to them. Is a member of the Houston Club, the Houston Country Club and of several lodges.

J. Q. TABOR

John Quitman Tabor, manager of the Southern Division of the Magnolia Petroleum Company, was born in Caldwell County, Texas, February 11, 1862, and was educated at Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College. Engaged in oil business with the Waters-Pierce Oil Company twelve years at Bryan, Texas, four years at San Antonio and nine years at Houston; has been with the Magnolia Company in this city since 1911; widely known as an expert in the oil industry. Member of the Houston Club and Thalian Club, a Knight Templar and a Shriner.

RALPH CLINTON HOLMES

Ralph Clinton Holmes, vice president and general manager of the oil-refining department of the Texas Company, was born August 24, 1874, at Sharon Center, Pennsylvania, son of Elba De Forrest Holmes and Mrs. Catherine Lewis Dodge Holmes. Has been in the oil business twenty-one years and connected in responsible capacities with the Texas Company since its organization; by sound and friendly business methods has contributed much to the success of his corporation, of which he is a director as well as vice-president. Is a member of the Houston Club and the Houston Country Club; a Democrat. April 20, 1904, married Miss Dora May Hamilton; they have one child, Fred Hamilton Holmes.

WILLIAM ALEXIS GREEN

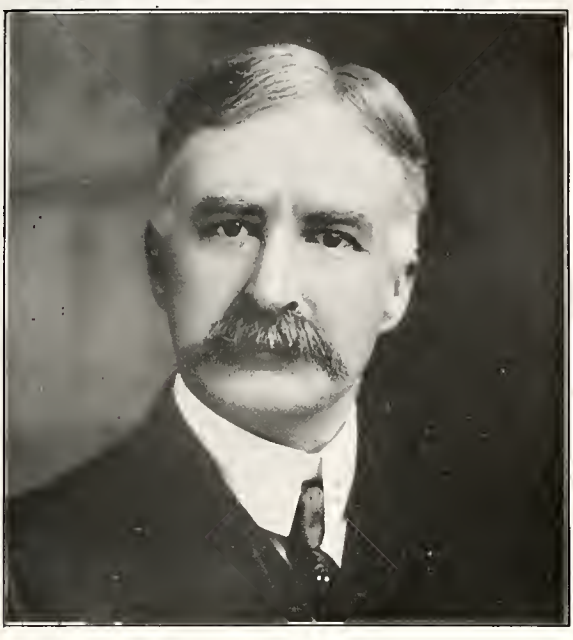
William Alexis Green, treasurer of the Texas Company; born at Richmond, Virginia, January 14, 1859; educated in the public schools and graduated from the New York High School. Immediately entered brokerage business in Wall Street, where he was engaged four years; then removed to Chicago and became a clerk; was made secretary of the Illinois Steel Company, later treasurer of the American Steel & Iron Company. Became secretary and treasurer of the Tennessee Coal & Iron Company (Alabama), and subsequently manager of the Republic Iron & Steel Company, Southern division. Comptroller of the Texas Company January 1, 1911, and continued in that office until January 1, 1913, when he became the company's treasurer. In 1885 Mr. Green married Miss Ella L. Hanford of New York City; they have two children. Is a member of the Houston Club.

ELBERT HOWARD CATLIN

Elbert Howard Catlin, chief engineer of the Texas Company, was born at Northfield, Connecticut, June 4, 1873, of American descent, son of John Howard Catlin and Mrs. Josephine Wooster Catlin, natives of Northfield. Graduated from the Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University 1896; became connected with the Texas Company at Beaumont the same year; thence to Dallas with that company; before coming to Texas was connected with large bridge concerns in Pittsburg, Pa., and Wheeling, W. Va. Has resided in Houston four years. Is a Mason. July 24, 1907, Mr. Catlin married Miss Lena Elizabeth Sloan; they have two children, John Sloan Catlin and Eunice Rube Catlin.

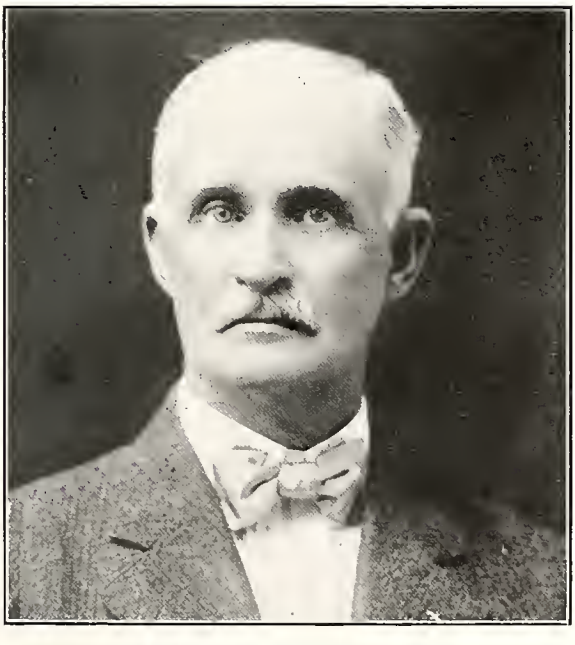
J. S. BONNER

John Summerfield Bonner, president of Bonner Oil Company; born in Angelina County April 25, 1875, son of W. H. and Malinda Blackburn Bonner; educated Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas, class of 1896; removed to Houston same year and engaged in oil business, organizing Bonner Oil Company; married Miss Edna Ewing in 1900; has two children, J. S. Jr. and Louis Franklin Bonner; stockholder and officer in numerous corporations; president Houston Motor Company, vice-president Burrs Ferry, Browndel & Chester Railway Company, director Bankers Trust Company. Member Houston Club, Houston Country Club, Cotton Exchange, Elks, and Chamber of Commerce.



BAKER WHITE ARMSTRONG

Baker White Armstrong, oil broker, was born in Hampshire County, Virginia, December 10, 1858, and after the war moved with his father's family to Salem, Roanoke County, Virginia, where he was educated in private school and at Roanoke College; was engaged in the drug business for a number of years in all its branches, but since the Spindletop oil field was brought out has devoted his energies to the oil business and is interested in a number of companies; is a Presbyterian and also connected with Y. M. C. A.; is a director in several of Houston's prominent business corporations. Was married in 1892 to Miss Mary O. Nugent of Virginia, formerly of New Orleans.

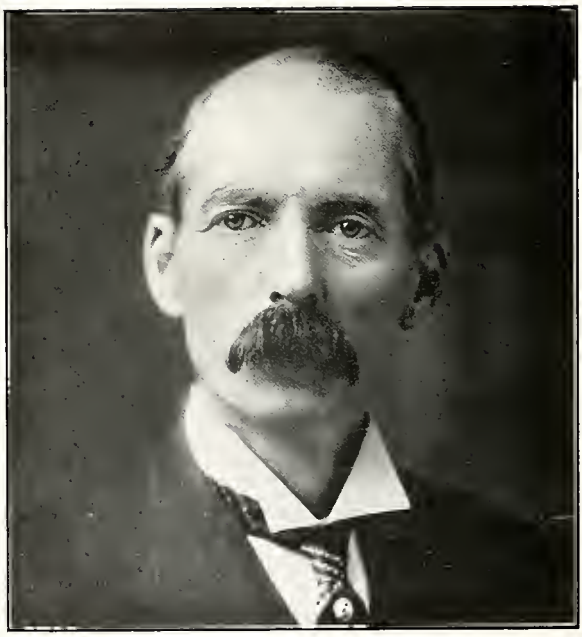


WALTER C. MOORE

Walter C. Moore, prominent Houston dealer in lands and oil, was born in Harris County, Texas, in 1857. His father, Pleasant Moore, was born in Virginia; his mother, Kizia A. O'Hara Moore, in Ohio. Mr. Moore has been in Houston twenty-one years. For fifteen years he was in the employ of the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe Railroads; has been a director at various times in some twenty corporations; was the organizer of the Moore-Cortez Canal Company, Trinity Rice Land and Irrigation Company, Texas Rice Development Company, Palacios Townsite Company, and the Hardy Oil Company. His articles and pamphlets on the rice industry were the first published in Texas, and have been widely read for years. Mr. Moore gave his personal note for $24,000.00 to secure the building of the railroad from Markham to Palacios. This is a branch of the G. H. & S. A. Ry., and was completed several years ago. He is a Mason, having taken every degree except the thirty-third; a member of the Country Clubs at both Houston and San Antonio; was married in 1886 to Miss Emma D. Perryman, and has four children.

NIELS ESPERSON

Niels Esperson, Houston capitalist and president of the Midland Brick Company of Peru, Kansas, and president of the Knapp Brothers Manufacturing Company of Chicago, was born June 3, 1857, in Bornholm, Denmark; came to the United States in 1872 and became a Californian. There he was engaged in mining until 1889, when he removed to Oklahoma and took part in the early development of that State; took advantage of the opening of the oil wells in Kansas and was successful there; came to Houston in 1905 and identified himself with the opening up of the Humble oil field. He is one of the promoters of the Great Southern Life Insurance Company, the Houston Land Corporation, the Moore's Bluff Rice Corporation, the Southwestern Rice Company and the Grant Locomotive Works, in each of which concerns he is a director. In 1893 married Miss Mellie Keenan of Oklahoma. He is a member of the Houston Club and the Houston Country Club.



JOSEPH HENRY McEVOY

Joseph Henry McEvoy, member of the firm of J. H. McEvoy & Company, oil operator, mechanic and inventor, was born at Waterbury, Connecticut, and received a public school education. After traveling extensively throughout the United States he came to Texas in 1893 and engaged in the machine business at Dallas (1893-1901). From 1901 to 1906 was an active oil operator in the Beaumont "Spindletop" and various oil fields of Sour Lake, Batson and Humble, and then engaged in the manufacture of the McEvoy Wireless Well Strainers of which he is patentee. He was master machinist and president during 1897 and 1898 of the International Association of Machinists, No. 41, Dallas. He is a member of several Houston Clubs.

JOHN AUGUSTUS HULEN

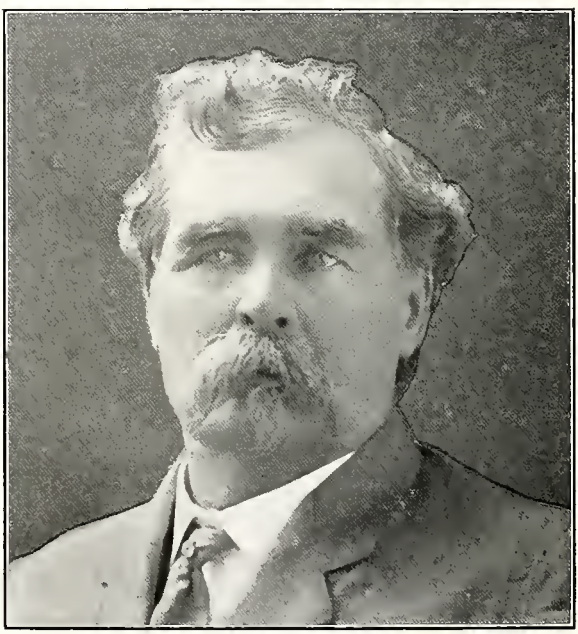
John Augustus Hulen, General Freight and Passenger Agent of the T. & B. V. Ry., was born in Centralia, Mo., September 9, 1871; his father, Harvey Hulen, was born in Missouri; his mother, Fannie Hulen, in Virginia. Mr. Hulen began his railroad career in 1907 at Houston, at which time he entered the employ of the Frisco Railroad in the capacity of City Passenger Agent. In 1910 he was made General Freight and Passenger Agent of the T. & B. V. Ry. Mr. Hulen is frequently termed "General" through the fact that for six years—1903 to 1908, inclusive—he served as Adjutant General of the State of Texas. In the Spanish-American war he was Lieutenant-Colonel of the First Texas Cavalry. During the Philippine insurrection he was Captain of the Thirty-third Infantry, and in command of his company on the Gilmore Relief Expedition. He is a member of the Houston Country Club, the Z. Z., Houston Club, Turnverein, Traffic Club of Houston and Dallas, and is a member of the Elks and Knights of Pythias Lodge. He married in 1893 Miss Frankie L. Race.

HENRY MARTIN

Henry Martin, railroad official, second vice-president and general manager International & Great Northern Railroad; born Springfield, Tennessee, January 22, 1864; son of W. B. and Wilmoth C. Martin; married Miss Julia Nunelee of Tuscaloosa, Ala., 1887; in railway service with Queen & Crescent twenty years; with Mobile & Ohio six years; with International & Great Northern since 1908; resident of Houston since 1911. Member of Houston Club.

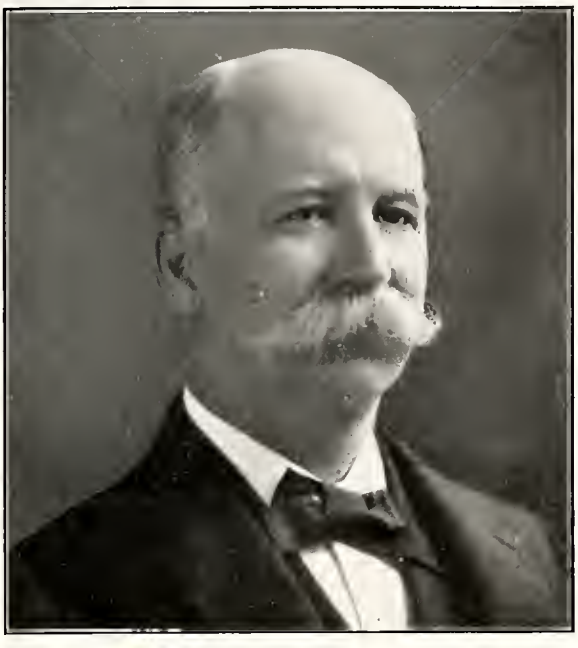
SAM S. BUTLER

Sam S. Butler, assistant to the vice-president of the Frisco Railroad and in charge of the traffic division of the Texas and Louisiana lines of that system; born Murfreesboro, Tennessee, August 25, 1875; educated in the public schools of his native city; entered the railroad business in 1889, taking a position in the general offices of the Texas & Pacific at Dallas; in 1900 was promoted to be traveling freight agent and commercial agent at Dallas; made general agent of the road at Fort Smith, Ark., in 1907, and general Eastern agent at New York City in 1909; became assistant to the vice-president and placed in charge of traffic of the Texas and Louisiana lines January of 1913. Married Miss Maud Wilson of Murfreesboro, Tenn., April 29, 1909. Is a director and member of the executive committee of the Houston Belt & Terminal Company; member of the Houston Club, Houston Country Club, Chamber of Commerce and the Lumbermans Club.



RANDAL SEPTIMUS STEPHENS

Randal Septimus Stephens, purchasing agent for the Sunset-Central lines and distinguished as one of the oldest employes of that system, was born in Euphemia, Ohio, in 1847, the son of D. E. Stephens, who was born at Frederick, Md., in 1821. Mr. Stephens is descended direct from the old Pennsylvania families of McClures and Gunkles; his grandfather, Randle McClure, was born in Sunbury, Pa., in 1787, and his grandmother, Catherine McClure (nee Gunkle) in Germantown, Pa., in 1790. In 1879 Mr. Stephens married Miss Bettie Thatcher; they have two daughters. He is a Thirty-second degree Scottish Rite Mason, a Knight Templar, and active as a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Mr. Stephens came to Texas forty-one years ago, and for a quarter of a century has been one of Houston's substantial citizens.

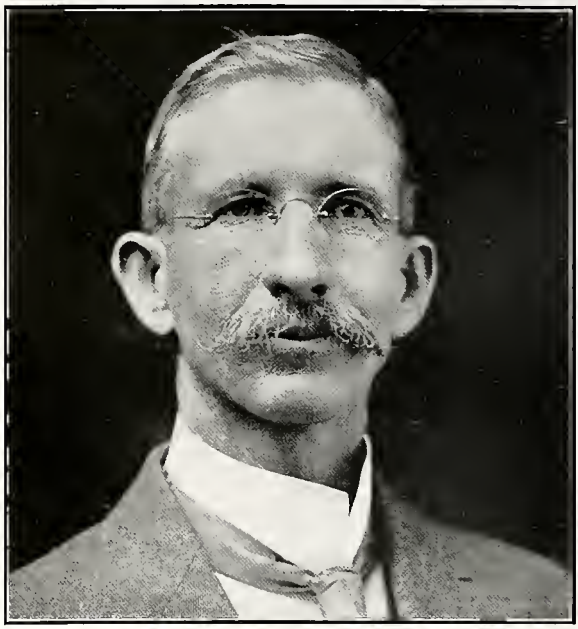


WILLIAM LEWIS MAURY

William Lewis Maury, auditor at Houston of the International & Great Northern Railway, was born November 30, 1851, at Washington, D. C. He was educated in the public schools of the Capital, at Bowling Green and Charlottsville, Va., in the Charlottsville Academy, and (1870-1871) in the University of Virginia. Entered the railroad service in May of 1872 as a rodman on the construction of the Selma, Marion & Memphis R. R., at Okalona, Miss., and rose steadily in the service, becoming assistant engineer and transitman on re-survey work; entered the service of the Atlantic & Pacific Railway, lessee of the Pacific Railroad of Missouri, now Missouri Pacific Railway, as clerk of the land department; was later clerk in the auditor's office, February 1, 1875, and auditor of disbursements of the Missouri Pacific Railway, and in May of 1888 was appointed auditor of the International & Great Northern Railway and of its various receivers, at Palestine; since September 16, 1911, has been auditor of the International & Great Northern Railway at Houston. Mr. Maury was vice-president of the Palestine Y. M. C. A. and president of the Railroad Y. M. C. A. of Palestine, also ruling elder of the Presbyterian Church of that city. He is now ruling elder of the First Presbyterian Church of Houston. December 8, 1886, married Miss Cora Wells Sears. He is a member of the American Railway Accounting Officers Association and of the Colonnade Club of the University of Virginia.

JOHN KIEFFER

John Kieffer, proprietor Hotel Stratford; born at Mineral Point, Wis., October 12, 1864; was engaged in mercantile business at Minot, N. D., for seven years; traveling representative for James S. Kirk Company for fifteen years; married Miss Barbara Boyson of Watterloo, Canada; removed to Houston April, 1912.



IRVIN ALEXANDER COTTINGHAM

Irvin Alexander Cottingham, Assistant General Manager Sunset-Central Lines, born St. Mary's, Texas, October 14, 1866. Father, James Cottingham, born South Carolina; mother, Margaret Cottingham, native same State. Ancestors English, Scotch and Irish; graduate A. and M. College, 1886; adopted the profession of civil engineer; resident of Houston thirteen years, with Harriman Lines nine years. Married Miss Hester Kyle, 1892, and has six children.

WILLIAM JOSEPH WERNER

William Joseph Werner, auditor of the International & Great Northern Railroad; born Newport, Walker County, Texas, May 31, 1876; educated in the public schools; went to work for the International & Great Northern as a clerk at Trinity, Texas, in 1897; later a clerk for the same road at Laredo; cashier and agent at Rockdale; cashier and chief clerk at Palestine; April of 1904 left the transportation department of the road to enter the accounting department as a traveling auditor; January 1910 promoted to position of chief traveling auditor; September 1911 promoted to be chief clerk in the auditor's office; December of same year made assistant auditor; appointed auditor April 15, 1913. Is an officer of the Masons and member of the Houston Chamber of Commerce.

C. L. MOODY

Carter Lowry Moody, railroad man, born McKinley, Alabama, April 4, 1857; educated Spring Hill College, Mobile, at Mobile; married Miss Josephine Culver, 1880. Member of the distinguished Culver family of Massachusetts. Mr. Moody is the son of the late General Y. M. Moody of Alabama, distinguished in military and political affairs of that State; also related to Colonel W. L. Moody of Galveston.

Soon after completing his education Mr. Moody removed to Texas, locating at Galveston, where he entered the service of the Santa Fe Railroad. He enjoys the distinction of having served with this road continuously for 35 years, probably longer than ony other official of the road in the State; first stationed at Galveston, later at Lampasas for nine years; transferred to Houston in 1896.

BYRON S. SWEARINGEN

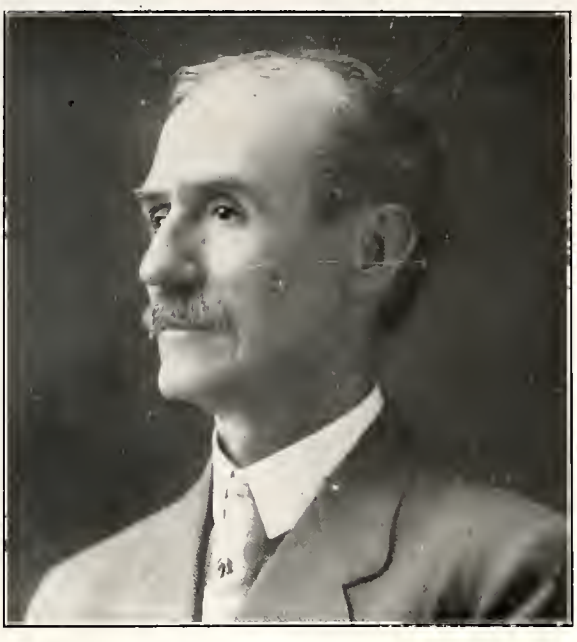
Byron S. Swearingen, managing director Hotel Bender and widely known hotel man, was born at Richland, Iowa, May 31, 1880; son of F. M. Swearingen of the St. Anthony Hotel of San Antonio; educated Chicago public schools and Chicago University; resident of Texas for seven years and of Houston for two years; secretary St. Anthony Hotel Company of San Antonio. Married to Miss Blanche Price, Chicago, December 26, 1908; member Houston Club, Houston Country Club, San Antonio Country Club, Fort Sam Houston Polo Club, the Houston Press Club and the Masonic Lodge. Is an athlete and sportsman.

JOHN J. SCHOLL.

John J. Scholl, treasurer and assistant secretary of the Allison-Richey Land Company, was born at Brenham, Texas, June 5, 1877, and removed to Houston when he was ten years of age; first position was with Western Union Telegraph Company; on organization of Merchants National Bank he was offered the position of bookkeeper and later promoted to teller; assistant cashier of the National City Bank and for two years was cashier of the State Bank of El Campo; married 1905 to Miss Sadie Blakewood; now treasurer Allison-Richey Land Company of Houston, largest real estate and land firm in the South.

CHARLES R. BRICE

Charles R. Brice, lawyer, director and general attorney Allison-Richey Land Company; born Kaufman County, Texas, August 6, 1870; admitted to bar at Memphis, Texas, 1893; married Miss Evelyn Pruitt, Blooming Grove, Texas, October 14, 1898; member New Mexico Legislature 1909 and New Mexico Constitutional Convention 1910; secretary and director Allison-Richey Land Company and Commonwealth Trust Company.



CHARLES F. PARKER

Mr. Charles F. Parker is perhaps as well known in Houston and surrounding country as any of the old timers. For many years he conducted a big department store where now stands the magnificent Milby Hotel. Growing tired of the mercantile business, he had this splendid hotel constructed, which has since grown into such popularity with the traveling public. Mr. Parker takes a pardonable pride in the Milby Hotel, and justly so. Each room is equipped with private bath and ceiling fan, while the rates are less than many hotels furnished and equipped not nearly so well. You will always find the Milby a comfortable and home-like hotel, and a place where your wife or daughter can stay as safely as at home, as their comforts and protection are especially safe-guarded by the hotel management. Popular as a merchant, Mr. Parker has become equally popular as "mine host" with the traveling public.

CHARLES A. McFARLAND

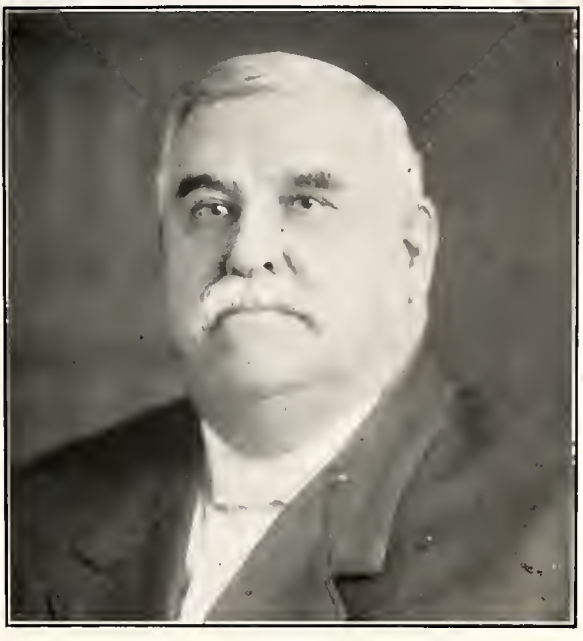
Charles A. McFarland, proprietor St. Jean Hotel, manager of various vaudeville and amusement houses and well-known in the baseball world, was born at White Hall, Illinois, 1878, and educated at the White Hall High School and Illinois College at Jacksonville, Ill. Played professional baseball as pitcher for several seasons as member of National League St. Louis and Pittsburg. Gave up baseball to enter theatrical business and has been connected with prominent vaudeville houses. Mr. McFarland was manager of the Majestic Theatre for five years and was the first manager of the new City Auditorium. He is an enthusiastic baseball fan, an athlete and is widely known among the theatrical profession.

WILLIAM H. TAYLOR

William H. Taylor, real estate operator and vice-president Houston Real Estate Exchange; born Decatur, Tennessee, March 1, 1866; educated in the Texas public schools; traveled through Europe 1894; engaged in railroad service in various capacities 1887-1910; since then in real estate business in Houston; secretary of the Taylor-Guthrie Company, Inc.; November 13, 1897, married Miss Ida Mae Pittman of Dallas; one child, William H. Taylor Jr.; member Houston Country Club.

THOMAS HALL GUTHRIE

Thomas Hall Guthrie, president of the Taylor-Guthrie Company (incorporated for $100,000) and vice-president and general manager of the Frank C. Colby Realty Company (incorporated for $150,000), was born July 17, 1881, at Bloomfield, Kentucky, and was educated in the public schools of Louisville, Ky.; removed to St. Louis in 1897 to engage in wholesale dry goods business; 1901 went to New York to become associated with one of the largest lace and embroidery importing houses in the country, taking charge of his employers' Southwestern territory; traveled extensively in Europe two years. May 14, 1907, married Miss Mary Virna Colby of Houston and made this city his home, entering the real estate and investment business. Is a Mason and a member of the Houston Country Club.

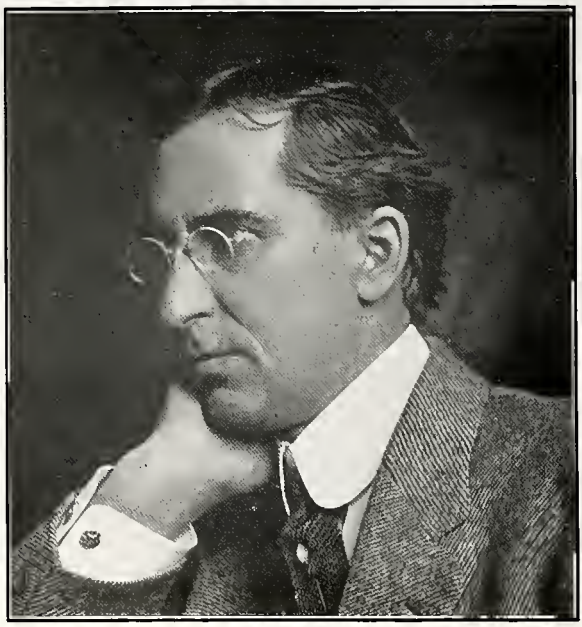


COLONEL N. L. MILLS

Colonel N. L. Mills, investor, promoter and real estate dealer, was born in Trumbull County, Ohio, March 20, 1844; removed to Iowa; served throughout Civil War and removed to Texas in 1892; located in Houston 1892; married Miss H. R. Brown, February 7, 1870; pioneer Houston real estate dealer and important factor in emigration to South Texas; regarded as expert on realty values and investments; has played active part in upbuilding of Houston; interested in civic affairs; member Houston Club, Houston Country Club and Masonic Holland Lodge.

MAJOR JOHN S. HOOVER

Major John Street Hoover, soldier and business man, was born at Summit, Miss., July 9, 1868; educated at common schools of Summit, and removed to Houston in 1886; from 1886 to 1895 was in railroad service; engaged in real estate and loan business in Houston since 1895; enlisted in Houston Light Guard as private, Company B, First Infantry, 1895; enlisted during Spanish American War, 1898, second lieutenant Company H, First U. S. Volunteer Infantry; re-enlisted Houston Light Guard May 1899; elected second lieutenant, 1900; first lieutenant, 1901; resigned January, 1902; elected major First Infantry Texas National Guard, 1902; re-appointed Third Infantry; member Sons of American Revolution, Naval and Military Order Spanish-American War, Sons of War of 1814, Spanish-American War Veterans, roll of honor Houston Light Guard, Order Railway Conductors and Elks, various military, political and social clubs.



C. W. HAHL

C. W. Hahl, firm of C. W. Hahl & Company and vice-president and treasurer of the R. C. Miller Lumber Company; native of Minnesota; has been twenty-four years actively identified with Texas land and investments; is a town-builder and developer of farming communities, choosing to sell direct to settlers instead of to speculators; has disposed of thousands of acres of Texas lands to farmers removing from other States; several thriving Texas towns owe their existence to his energy; colonized two of the most prosperous settlements in the State, one in Bee County, the other in Jackson County. Mr. Hahl believes in carrying on experimental work for benefit of settlers; maintains a model demonstration farm on land of his near Houston; did much to help place rice industry on solid basis in South Texas and to demonstrate that the Coast country is especially adapted to many other staple crops no less than to fruit, truck-growing, dairying, poultry-raising, etc. Is heavily interested in ranch lands in Southwest Texas. Member Chamber of Commerce, Houston Country Club and other leading civic and social organizations.

F. P. EASTBURN

F. P. Eastburn, real estate and loan broker, was born at Sheldon, Illinois, October 12, 1861; graduated from Sheldon Public School, Sheldon, Ill., and Indiana State Normal at Kentland, Indiana; taught school in Indiana; engaged in general merchandise business at Watseka, Ill., for two years and in California for twelve years; member of firm and advertising manager L. Bryan & Company; member and steward St. Paul's M. E. Church; member Houston Chamber of Commerce, director Houston Real Estate Exchange and officer Texas State Realty Association; largely interested in farm lands in South Texas. Member of various social and business clubs.

H. F. MacGREGOR

Henry Frederick MacGregor, capitalist, street railway manager and Republican leader, was born at Londonderry, New Hampshire, April 25, 1855. Lived on a farm until fifteen years of age. Was educated at district school of Londonderry, Pinkerton Academy, Derry, N. H., and New Hampshire Business College, from which he graduated in 1871. Two years were spent in travel through the United States, Canada, Mexico and Europe, and in 1873, Mr. MacGregor having settled in Texas, engaged in the steamboat and railroad business. From 1873 to 1878 he was connected with the Houston Direct Navigation Company and in 1878 was made secretary of the Galveston Railroad Company, and was later appointed Vice-President and General Manager of the Houston Street Railway. He is a director in the South Texas Commercial National Bank of Houston, the Houston Printing Company and Glen Park Land Company. He has been active in promoting the growth of Houston and has developed and placed on the market several valuable residential additions.

Mr. MacGregor was married in 1885 to Miss Elizabeth Stevens of Houston. He is a member of the Z. Z., Thalian, Country Club and Caledonian Society.

EDWIN R. JOHNSON

Edwin R. Johnson, capitalist; born August 16, 1867, at Chilhowee, Missouri; brought up on the farm and educated in the public schools; worked on the farm until of age, then engaged in lumber and general merchandise business; ten years on stock ranch in Wharton County, Texas; came to Houston in 1906 and was three years in the banking business; then became an investor and capitalist; in 1903 married Miss Roberta T. Wall of Vernon County, Mo.; born to them two girls.

W. W. THOMAS

William W. Thomas, more than thirty years engaged in real estate business in Houston; born Natchez, Mississippi, November 10, 1868; moved with father, Dr. Charles C. Thomas, and family to Texas 1872, locating in Houston; March 1883 quit Houston High School to begin business career with real estate firm of Foster & Harral, pioneers in Texas land business; at age of twenty-one was half owner of real estate business of Harral & Thomas; continuously since then (1889) been very active in all movements tending to promote interests of Houston socially, commercially and politically; has spent much time and money advancing welfare of social, military, fire department (volunteer), baseball, minstrel, fraternal and business organizations; member numerous clubs and secret orders; first lieutenant El Mina Arab Patrol, Shriners; strong politically; Alderman five years, 1900-1905, under four Mayors; member City Board of Appraisement three terms; served City as Expert Appraiser when J. J. Pastoriza, Tax Commissioner, revolutionized method of taxation in Houston; rendered very great service in this capacity during 1911-1912-1913.

DANIEL F. BOYLES

Daniel F. Boyles, land operator, vice-president of the Melado Land Company of Texas and treasurer of the San Benito Land Corporation, was born December 9, 1876, at Mount Pleasant, Alabama, and was educated in the public schools of Texas; son of D. H. Boyles and Mrs. Mattie Boyles; has been in the realty business continuously in Houston since 1908; June 8, 1898, married Miss Julia Howard of Calvert, Texas. He is a Knight of Pythias.

JULES HIRSCH

Jules Hirsch, oil operator and real estate dealer, ex-City official, was born March 18, 1854, in Saint-Avold, Lorraine; came to Houston in 1871 and has lived here since, taking a prominent part in the civic life of the community and building up an extensive and successful business. First engaged in Houston in the grocery, grain and wool trade, then became an investor and developer of the Humble oil fields; and now in the oil fields of Petrolea and Oklahoma, and has large real estate holdings in and around Houston. From 1894 to 1898, inclusive, Mr. Hirsch was an Alderman of Houston and Chairman of the Finance Committee of the City Board of Appraisement; filled the unexpired term of Justice C. White as City Assessor and Tax Collector; was County Commissioner of Harris County four terms. Married in Mobile, Ala., February 16, 1887. Member Knights of Pythias, Woodmen of the World, Houston Turn Verein, Sons of Herman, Saengerbund, Concordia Club, Elks, Sharks, Houston Chamber of Commerce and No-Tsu-Oh. Has given generously of his time and ability to the building up of Houston.

LAWRENCE P. SCARBOROUGH

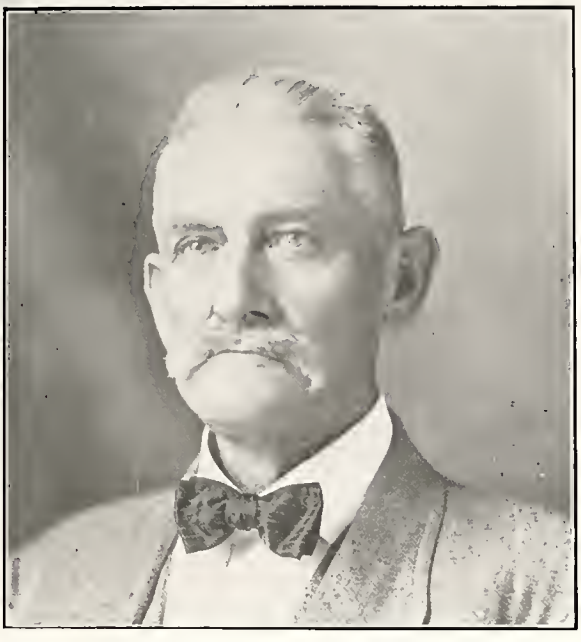
Lawrence P. Scarborough, investor, rice planter and City Purchasing Agent of Houston, was born in Jasper County, Texas, June 21, 1867; received common school education; engaged in real estate and banking business for many years at Jasper; removed to Houston in 1907 and is interested in various financial enterprises, besides being an extensive real estate dealer and investor. Married Mrs. Maggie Raby Stone of Houston, October 10, 1911. Director and stockholder Old River Rice Irrigation Company, Cane and Rice Belt Irrigation Company and First National Bank of Jasper; appointed City Purchasing Agent of Houston by Mayor Ben Campbell, April 22, 1913.

ALFRED J. CONDIT

Alfred J. Condit, president of the real estate firm of Condit & Buxton, vice president of the South End Land Company and vice-president of the Westmoreland Railroad Company; born Licking County, Ohio, August 21, 1852, of English descent; came from Minneapolis, where he had been engaged fiftten years in the real estate business, to Houston when the Texas Coast country was first attracting the attention of farmers and agriculturists of the North and East; quickly became one of the foremost developers of the lands of this section, and has made a great success of the business of selling and settling these farming lands. Is a graduate of Elders Ridge Academy (Pennsylvania), 1870. In 1900 married Miss L. A. Adams of Wichita, Kan. Is a Thirtieth Degree Mason; member Houston Country Club.

CORNELIUS J. McCARTY

Cornelius J. McCarty, president of the Greater Houston Subdivision Corporation, land owner and developer; born Coles County, Illinois, August 23, 1865; educated public schools; born and reared on farm near Charleston, Ill.; farmer until age of 24; mercantile business in Charleston 1889; came to Houston 1897, engaged in real estate business, taking up lands in Harris and adjoining counties; rose to head of Greater Houston Suburban Corporation, which owns 800 acres land comprising Park Place, Houston, now being beautified and built up, on Houston-Galveston interurban line. October 11, 1894, Mr. McCarty married Miss Louise Schaun.



LODOVICK McDANIEL

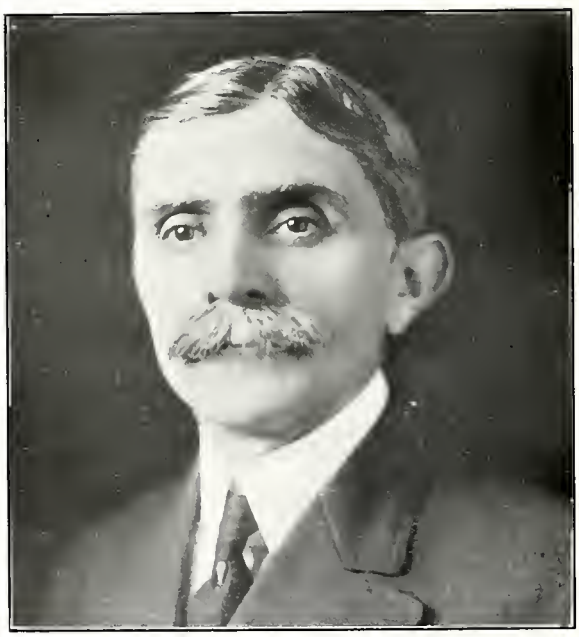
Lodovick McDaniel, United States District Attorney at Houston, was born in Bedford County, Virginia, January 9, 1847, and was educated in private schools in Texas. Entered upon the practice of law November of 1879. Treasurer of Grimes County, Texas, in 1879 and 1880; County Attorney 1881-1882; County Judge 1883-1884, and was appointed United States District Attorney by President Roosevelt January 16, 1907. A Republican. Is a Mason, member of the Knights of Pythias, the Knights of Honor, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

SETH B. STRONG

Seth B. Strong, Postmaster of the City of Houston from 1898 to date; born January 26, 1851, at Ripon, Wisconsin, and educated in the public schools; farm life and employment in country general stores in his youth; postoffice official 1869 to 1889; insurance and commercial businesses 1889 to 1898—with S. O. Cotton & Brother, insurance, two years, with Colonel John T. Brady as secretary and superintendent Port Houston Land Improvement Company and Houston Belt & Magnolia Park Railway Company two years, with William D. Cleveland & Sons, wholesalers, five years; appointed Postmaster of Houston 1898, which office he has held fifteen years. Was grand patriarch of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows 1889-1890; grand master of same 1899-1900; representative to the Sovereign Grand Lodge, Odd Fellows, 1906-1907; is an Elk.

C. W. TAYLOR

Charles Wesley Taylor, president Houston Retail Merchants' Association, president Taylor Brothers Jewelry Company, prominent merchant and jeweler, was born Green County, Illinois, October 6, 1869; educated in public schools and removed to Texas 1876, locating at Weimar; removed to Houston 1885 and engaged in jewelry business under firm name of Taylor Brothers; later incorporated as Taylor Brothers Jewelry Company; headed movement and was chairman of committee to select site for permanent annual exposition to be held in connection with No-Tsu-Oh Carnival; active in promoting exposition; as president of Retail Merchants' Association accomplished valuable material results for Houston merchants in offering inducements to outside buyers and customers; recognized as an expert in civic and commercial advertising. Member Elks Lodge and prominently identified with various social organizations.



JOHN W. NEAL

John W. Neal, first vice-president of the Cheek-Neal Coffee Company of Houston, Nashville and Jacksonville; born Fountain Run, Ky., January 12, 1865, son of James M. and Margaret Neal; educated public schools and entered business at early age; organizer of Cheek-Neal Coffee Company of Houston, now operating branches in other cities; one of largest importing and roasting coffee concerns in South; member of U. C. T., Knights of Pythias, Houston Club, Houston Country Club, Rotary Club; third vice-president of the Chamber of Commerce and director of the Y. M. C. A.

THOMAS FLAXMAN

Thomas Flaxman, wholesale dry goods merchant, president of the Flaxman Dry Goods & Notion Company, is one of the most successful of Houston' business men. Is a native Texan, has lived in Houston 25 years. At an early age engaged in business; has succeeded in a few years in building up one of the largest wholesale dry goods firms in Texas. Mr. Flaxman has been active with the No-Tsu-Oh Carnival Board for past six years as treasurer and director, and four years as director on the Chamber of Commerce Board, serving at various times as chairman; one of the leading members of the Chamber of Commerce, and one of the city's most progressive business men. As chairman of the first Made-in-Houston show held at the Auditorium during October, 1913, greatly assisted its success. Mr. Flaxman is a director in the National Bank of Commerce and a stockholder in several corporations.

HENRY C. SCHUHMACHER

Henry C. Schuhmacher, banker and merchant, president of the Schuhmacher Company, wholesale grocery firm, of Houston; born La Grange, Texas, July 31, 1873; son of John and Louise Frede Schuhmacher; educated A. and M. College of Texas; engaged in banking and mercantile business at La Grange for several years; president John Schuhmacher State Bank, La Grange; president Bank of Fayetteville; secretary La Grange Cotton Oil Company; officer and director La Grange Building Company, Southern Telephone Company of La Grange, Smithville Oil Mill Company, First State Bank of Ellinger, Texas, La Grange Ice and Cold Storage Company; member Houston Chamber of Commerce and No-Tsu-Oh Association; married Miss Katie Wurzbach, San Antonio, 1896.

B. B. GILMER

Bryan Brewster Gilmer, president of Southern Drug Company; born at Butler, Alabama, November 3, 1876; son of Abram B. and Amelia Brewster Gilmer; graduate of University of Lebanon, Lebanon, Ohio, 1894; married Miss Edna Daffan, daughter of Colonel L. A. Daffan, June 7, 1905; resident of Houston for fifteen years; at various times has served as director of Houston Chamber of Commerce, No-Tsu-Oh Association and president of Houston Bankers, Jobbers and Manufacturing Association; vice-president National Wholesale Druggists' Association; Member of Houston School Board; member of numerous clubs and societies, 32-degree Mystic Shriner Mason, Elks, Houston Country Club, Houston Club and Thalian Club.

MORTON B. WHEELER

Morton B. Wheeler, general manager of the Tel-Electric Company, one of the best known and biggest electrical jobbing houses in the Southwest, was born May 6, 1871, at Manistee, Michigan, the son of A. Oren Wheeler, some time State Senator and later United States Marshal under President McKinley. From 1897 until 1909 Morton B. Wheeler was engaged in the electrical supply and contracting business in Grand Rapids, Mich. He is a member of the Houston Club, the Rotary Club, the Aderaft Club, the Houston Chamber of Commerce and the Jovian Order.

HENRY W. STUDE

Henry W. Stude, secretary and treasurer of the Stude Baking Company, president of the Stude Realty Company and secretary of the Texas Bread Company, was born in Houston, Texas, December 12, 1880, and was educated in the public schools of this city. Afterward he entered the Virginia Military Institute and was graduated therefrom. As a member of the Houston Light Guards he has contributed much to the efficiency of that military organization. Is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 51; Houston Council 803, Knights of Columbus, and of the Houston Club, the Turn Verein, the Houston Country Club and the Press Club.

JOHN LAWRENCE POOLE

John Lawrence Poole, Houston manager for the National Register Company, was born August 10, 1864, at Newark, New Jersey, and was educated in the public schools of that city. He has been connected with the National Cash Register Company seventeen years and has lived in Houston ten years. A man of tact and judgment, he has built up in Houston a thriving business for his house and established himself in the respect and friendship of his community. Mr. Poole in 1891 married Miss Mary Ann Farley. He is a member of Portland Lodge, No. 142, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, Aerie No. 63, of the Rotary Club and of the Houston Turn Verein, and Loyal Order of Moose.

RUFUS CAGE

Rufus Cage, president of the Public Schools of Houston, was born in Harris County, Texas, October 23, 1853. When he was 14 years old circumstances compelled him to quit school and set about earning his living. He became a successful bank clerk, then entered the fire insurance business and has pursued it ever since. For more than twenty years he has been a valued member of the Houston School Board, and for the same length of time has been vestryman and treasurer of Christ Church. For the past eight years he has been a director of the United Charities. Is a member of the Houston Club, the Thalian Club and the Houston Country Club.

HERMON F. LLOYD

Hermon F. Lloyd, member of the fire insurance firm of Lea, Radford & Lloyd, was born June 25, 1884, at Fort Valley, Georgia. He graduated from the Polytechnic College at Fort Worth, Texas, and went to Louisville, Ky., where he engaged in the insurance business. In 1903 moved to Dallas, Texas, and later to Mart, Texas, where he conducted a fire insurance business. For three years he was a special agent and adjuster in charge of the South Texas business of a New Orleans general fire insurance agency. In 1907 entered the local fire insurance business in Houston. He married Miss Ethel G. Pearce of Mart, Texas, in October of 1908. Is a member of the Houston Club and the Houston Press Club.

EDWARD J. HUSSION

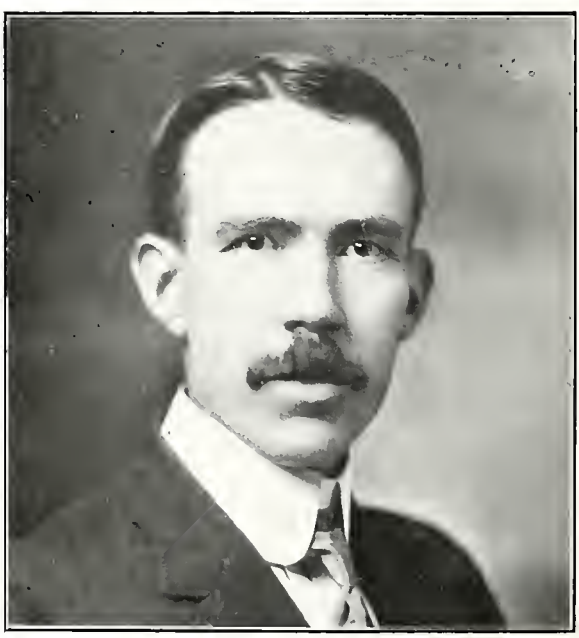
Edward J. Hussion, president of the Standard Printing and Litho. Company, director of the Harris County Investment Company and prominent in the business and social life of Houston, was born in New Orleans in 1876. His youth was spent in Galveston, Texas, where he was educated at the Jesuit College. Choosing a business career, Mr. Hussion entered the printing and publishing field and is now at the head of the Standard Printing & Litho. Company, one of the finest and largest printing establishments in the State. Mr. Hussion was married to Miss Zuleika Jenkins of Galveston, Texas, in 1897. He is a member of the Press Club, the Houston Club, the Knights of Columbus and Elks.

A. Y. AUSTIN

Andrew Yates Austin, publisher and vice-president of the Standard Printing & Litho. Company, was born at Marlin, Texas, February 22, 1870; educated in the public schools of Savannah, Ga., and the Georgia Military Academy. Mr. Austin is one of the younger set of Houston business men and is always to be found with the progressive element. He is a town booster and his firm has contributed its part toward establishing Houston's commercial supremacy. He is a member of the Houston Press Club, the Houston Club, the Knights of Pythias and the Elks. Mr. Austin was married July 4, 1909, to Miss Agnes Malloy of Galveston, and is the father of two children. He does not attach any particular significance to the fact that the two most important events of his career—his birth and marriage—occurred on such epoch-making dates as February 22 and July 4, respectively.

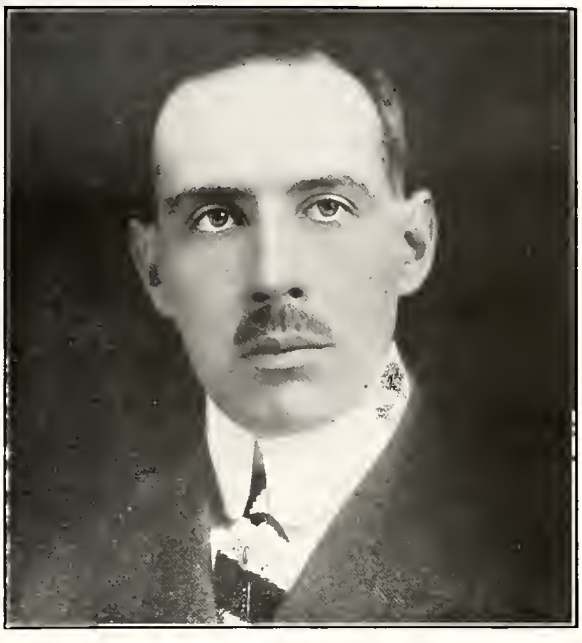
JULIUS LILIEN JACOBS

Julius Lilien Jacobs, engineer with James Stewart & Co., was born in Atlanta, Texas, April 6, 1882. He received his initial education in the public schools of Atlanta, then entered the University of Texas, from which he graduated in 1899 with the degree of Bachelor of Sciences; graduated as a civil engineer from Cornell University in 1904. In that and the following year was employed as civil engineer with the Phoenix Bridge Company, and in 1905 was an assistant surveyor of the Alaskan boundary. From 1905 to 1907 employed in an engineering capacity with the Chicago & Northwestern Railway, and since 1907 has been with James Stewart & Co., of St. Louis, New York and Houston, contractors. Son of Morris and Rachael Jacobs. He is a member of the Sigma Xi, the American Society of Civil Engineers, the Engineers Club of St. Louis, the Cornell Society of Civil Engineers of New York, member of the American Association for Testing Materials, the Houston Club and the Concordia Club.



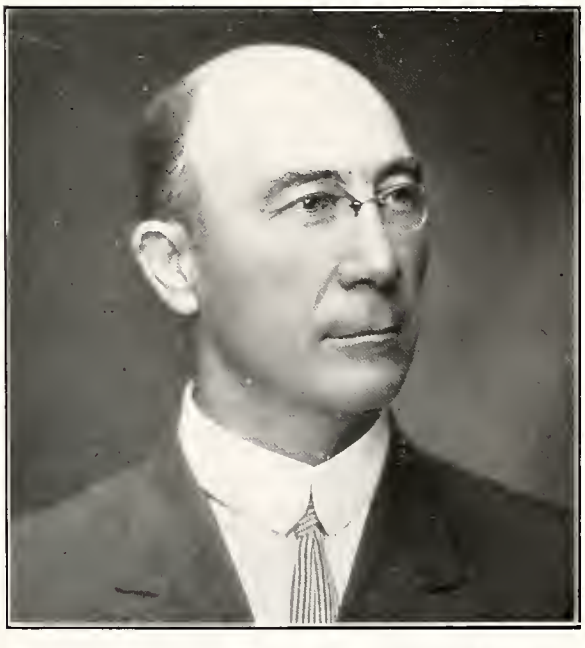
JOSEPH MILTON HOWE

Joseph Milton Howe, in conjunction with A. J. Wise Engineer for Houston Heights and Harris County and Liberty County, was born July 30, 1874, at Houston, Texas. Educated in a private school in this city and at Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass., Massachusetts Institute of Technology and University of Texas Law School. Engaged with engineering department of G. C. & S. F. Ry. 1897-1899, acting chief engineer H. & T. C. 1899-1903, engineering department Southern Pacific 1903-1904, private engineering practice since. Member Thalian Club, Houston Country Club, American Society of Civil Engineers, Texas Academy of Science.



RICHARD THOMAS SULLIVAN

Richard Thomas Sullivan, associated with the great traction firm of Stone & Webster, was born in Newton, Massachusetts, November 15, 1882. He went through the public schools of Newton, then enrolled as a student in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and graduated from Harvard University. Since 1906 has been engaged in the business of Stone & Webster. The son of Richard T. and Julia M. Sullivan. Is unmarried. He is a member of the Rotary Club, the Houston Press Club, the Houston Club, the National Society of Economics, and with a partner owns the Surprising Amusement Company.



CHARLES WILBUR FELLOWS

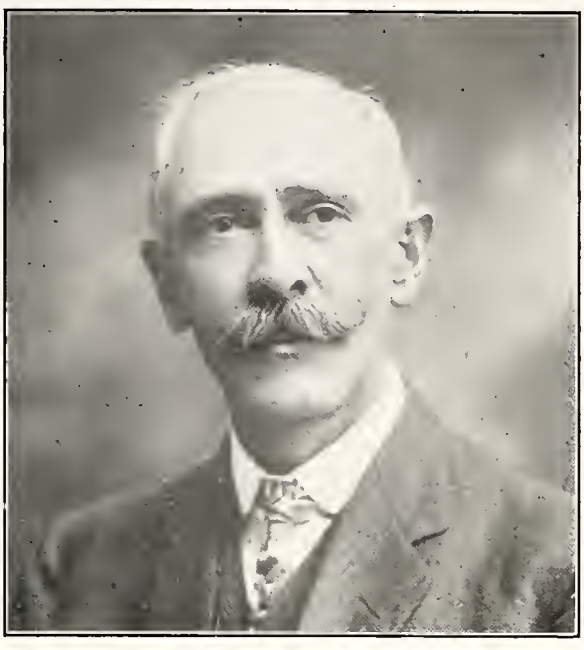
Charles Wilbur Fellows, vice-president and general manager of the Eureka Ice Company and superintendent of the First National Bank Building; born Ashtabula, Ohio, November 9, 1867; educated in the public schools of that State and of McPherson, Kansas; five years in charge of the First National Bank Building. In 1891 married Miss Lelia Maughmer of McPherson, Kan., and to them one child was born, Leta Fellows, now Mrs. A. A. Schleeter. Is a Knight of Pythias.

W. H. YOUNG

W. H. Young, contractor and builder, resident of Houston for ten years; superintendent of Louis Keller & Sons, Louisville, Ky., ten years before removing to Houston; has built some of the largest buildings in city, notably the Young Men's Christian Association Building, the Central Christian Church, the Bristol Hotel Annex, Brazos Hotel Lobby, Bristol Hotel Lobby, Houston Country Club, Riesner Building, and the Houston Turn Verein. Has superintended many important contracts in other cities, among them being the City National Bank Building, the Rock Island Plow Factory and the Brown Cracker and Candy Factory Building of Dallas.

C. C. WENZEL

Christopher C. Wenzel, builder; born in Germany March 20, 1857; came to America 1860, located at Wabash, Indiana, where he attended the public schools and later Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana; resided in St. Louis, Mo., 20 years, where he was engaged in contracting work; removed to Texas in 1900 and to Houston in 1901; married Miss Bessie Hughes of Houston June 11, 1907. Mr. Wenzel is one of the best known contractors and builders in Texas. Among some of the more important contracts awarded him are the Houston Post Building, Houston Land & Trust Building, Savoy Apartments, Waddell Building, Longfellow School, the Royal Hotel at Galveston. Recently Mr. Wenzel was given the contract for building the Houston Post Annex, making the Post Building the largest newspaper building and plant in Texas.

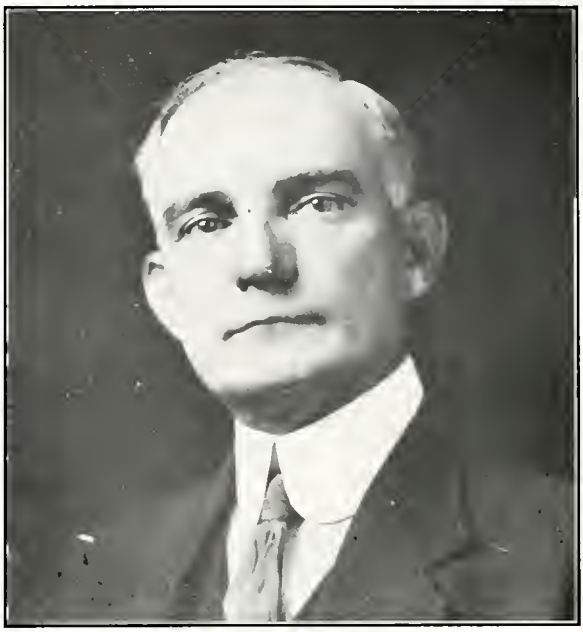


FRANK B. WALCOTT

Frank B. Walcott, manufacturer's agent and broker in builders' materials, was born March 15, 1861, at Ripon, Wisconsin, son of the Rev. J. W. Walcott, founder of Ripon College. Educated at Ripon College. Engaged in the real estate business until 1904, when he became a manufacturer's agent and material broker. Came to Houston in 1896. Furnished building materials for Bender, Rice and Cotton Hotels, Southern Pacific Office Building, First National Bank, Carter Building, Paul Building, Stewart Building, Harris County Court House and other prominent buildings of this city and State. May 19, 1883, married Miss Myra E. Talbot at Berlin, Wisconsin; they have two children, girls.

COLONEL RICHARD COCKE

Colonel Richard Cocke, soldier and prominent in Houston business affairs, was born at Bellville, Texas; son of Dr. William Irby and Mary Rebecca Cleveland Cocke; married to Miss Hildegarde Perl in 1890; educated Texas Military Institute; Brigadier-General Texas National Guard, Lieutenant-Colonel Third Infantry during Spanish-American War. Member of various social and military clubs and organizations; owner Richard Cocke & Company, one of Houston's best-known business institutions.



GUS RADETZKI

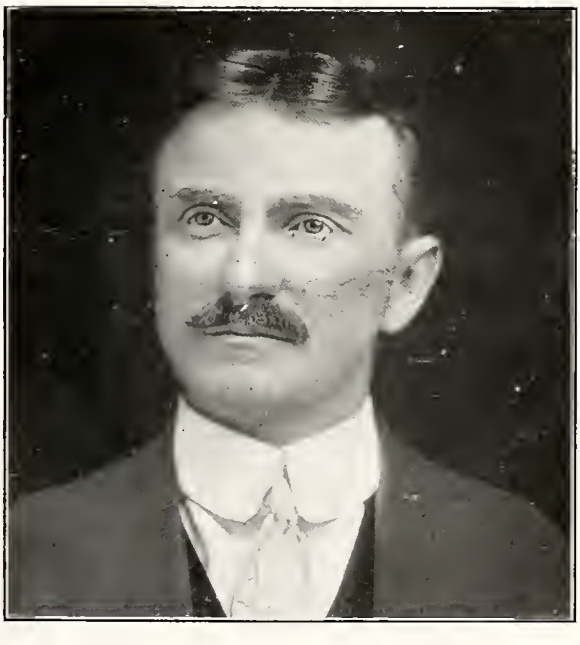
Gus Radetzki, the Forest Hill Nurseries; born in New Orleans, La., August 30, 1866; son of Gus and Mary Faust Radetzki; educated New Orleans public schools; entered railroad service at early age, serving in various capacities with Harriman lines; after, which entered the florist's business, in which he has been very successful, conducting at the present time the largest floral establishment in Houston; resident of Houston eight years; married Miss Georgiana Taylor 1889. Director Lumbermans National Bank; member Country Club, Houston Club and Thalian Club.

EDWARD A. ADEY

Edward Alonzo Adey, pioneer Houston stationer and printer, vice-president of the Dealy-Adey-Elgin Company, stationers and printers, was born in Springfield, Mass., March 27, 1856; son of Alonzo A. and Harriet Fitzhugh Adey, who were born in England. Has resided in Houston nearly fifty years. Began business career when 14 years of age with the E. H. Cushing Company, then the largest printing and publishing concern in Houston. In 1881 he formed a partnership with A. H. Wilkins under the name of Wilkins & Adey. In 1898 became a member of the Pastoriza Printing Company, serving as vice-president. Mr. Adey was one of the organizers of the Standard Printing Company, being manager, vice-president and later president of this concern. In 1910 he severed his connection with the Standard to found the Dealy-Adey Company, now the Dealy-Adey-Elgin Company, Inc. Mr. Adey is a member of the Houston Club and the Elks. He was married December 31, 1884, to Miss Flora Sweet. Has two sons, E. M. Jr. and Herbert Fitzhugh Adey.

HENRY WISE DEW

Henry Wise Dew, secretary-treasurer of the Dew Brothers Company, Incorporated, of De Walt, Texas, and vice-president Dew Brothers Syrup Company of Houston; born at Shriner, Texas, September 12, 1876; educated at Hallettsville, Texas; has traveled throughout the United States; began work at 18 years of age at De Walt, working as plow-hand and clerk; became Justice of the Peace at Missouri City, Texas; is a Thirty-second Degree Mason and Shriner; a progressive business man of the solid type.



CLEMENT E. OLIVER

Clement E. Oliver, proprietor and sole owner of Oliver's Music House, was born in Norris City, Illinois, March 24, 1864. He attended the public schools of Norris City and was graduated from the Norris City High School. Subsequently he was a student at the Southern Illinois Academy. He came to Houston in 1896, and without funds succeeded in establishing the Oliver Music House—a business which he has worked up to a volume of $100,000 a year and to a reputation more than Statewide. Politically he is an Independent. Is a prominent member of the Houston Press Club.

ARCHIE ANDERSON

Archie Anderson, for fifteen years Sheriff of Harris County, Texas, and who retired from that office November 15, 1912, was born of Scotch-Irish ancestry in Mississippi November 23, 1853. Before taking the office of Sheriff he was for a brief period Chief of Police of Houston and for twelve years had been a Deputy Sheriff of Harris County. He is known throughout the State and in adjoining States as a fearless peace officer and a remarkably fair man in dealing with prisoners. Has lived in Houston since 1887, is married and has three children. He is a member of the Odd Fellows, the Pythians, the Eagles, the Elks, the Red Men, the Woodmen of the World and the Maccabees.

JOHN H. LANG Jr.

John H. Lang Jr., capitalist and business man, was born in Houston January 31, 1878, and educated at St. Edwards College. He has been in business for 21 years, being associated with his father, the late J. H. Lang Sr. for many years. For the past six years Mr. Lang has continued the business established by father and managed the family estate. He is actively engaged in the real estate and investment business and an important factor in city political affairs. He has never held political office although he has frequently been urged to accept various public positions. During the campaign which resulted in the election of Hon. Ben Campbell as Mayor of Houston, Mr. Lang was prominently mentioned for the place and was asked to make the race. He is a 32nd degree Mason, member of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Elks, Woodmen of the World and a score of other social and fraternal organizations.

DUNCAN S. CAGE

Duncan S. Cage, born in Jackson, Miss., October 18, 1862, was educated in private schools in New Orleans, La. Made several extensive trips through Mexico, Canada and United States. Mr. Cage started in life as clerk in a wholesale grocery store in New Orleans, La., in 1880, then engaged in sawmilling in Louisiana, came to Texas in 1890 and started as contractor, subsequently went into the cotton business and then in the rice, sugar and molasses business, in which he is still engaged on a very large scale. He is also owner and operates a rice mill at Katy, Texas. Mr. Cage's parents were Duncan S. Cage and Mrs. Sarah Jane Cage. Mr. Cage was married to Miss Ellen S. Morgan in New Orleans, La., April 7, 1883.

MOYE WICKS JR.

Moye Wicks Jr., the largest independent promoter and owner of moving picture theatres in the city, was born in Los Angeles, Cal., May 4, 1883. He received his education in private schools in Los Angeles, and Austin, Texas, completing his college training at the Goss Military School at Albuquerque, New Mexico. Shortly afterward he entered upon a business career, becoming a member of the wholesale grocery firm of the Schuhmacher Company, and is still one of the principal stockholders in the corporation. In 1910 Mr. Wicks retired from the wholesale grocery business to operate a string of moving picture theatres, and is the recognized leader in the picture show business in Houston. He is also proprietor of one of the largest confectionery parlors in this city; is a member of the Press Club, the U. C. T. and the Elks.

HENRY C. HOUSE

Henry C. House, lumberman and capitalist; born Houston, December 19, 1851; educated in public schools of Houston and engaged in lumber business with father, Henry House, which firm is still in existence. Member of one of the oldest families of Harris County and actively identified with numerous social and commercial organizations; member Houston Country Club and director National Bank of Commerce.

J. WESLEY REYNOLDS

J. Wesley Reynolds, president of the Big Pine Lumber Company, was born at Jacinto, Alcorn County, Mississippi, and was educated in the public schools; early entered the timber and lumber business and has followed it throughout his life; in addition to being president of the Big Pine Lumber Company is vice-president of the Texas Long Leaf Lumber Company and of the Thompson & Ford Lumber Company; is the son of Lafayette P. Reynolds and Mrs. Emma J. Reynolds; August 23, 1906, married Miss Nanie B. Job of Old Danville, Miss.; member Houston Club, Houston Country Club, and a Mason.

GEORGE W. HAWKINS

George W. Hawkins, president Hawkins-Halff Automobile Company and pioneer Houston automobile dealer; born Burlingham, New York; educated Middleton, N. Y., and Walkill Academy; in automobile business in Houston thirteen years; trustee Odd Fellows Home, Corsicana, Texas; president Hawkins-Halff Company; president Fidelity Savings and Loan Association, Houston; married Miss Nettie A. Clough of Stanton, Neb., September 5, 1890; member Houston Club, Oleander Country Club, Galveston; Chamber of Commerce, Real Estate Exchange, No-Tsu-Oh, American Automobile Association, Houston Aderaft Club, Rotary Club and Odd Fellows.

MARCH CULMORE

March Culmore, prominent Houstonian, was born in Austin, Texas, March 1, 1872, and educated in the public schools of this city, where he has resided the greater part of his life. Mr. Culmore is an ardent progressive in politics and a believer in clean and efficient public service. He believes that if the public service is to be efficiently administered the business man must take an interest in politics and work for honest government. During the recent municipal campaign Mr. Culmore took an active part and contributed much to the success of the progressive ticket; is liberal minded and believes in the "square deal" policy both in business and politics. Mr. Culmore is accounted one of Houston's most successful men of affairs and enjoys the respect and confidence of all who know him.

WILLIAM HENRY LLOYD

William Henry Lloyd, president of the Lloyd Metal Company and stockholder in four large Houston concerns, was born in Houston November 12, 1870, the son of William Henry and Sue L. Lloyd. He was educated in private schools and has traveled extensively in the United States, Mexico and Canada. Having mastered the trade of foundryman, he twelve years ago organized the Lloyd Metal Company, and became the president of that firm. He is a Democrat, and in November of 1912 was elected County Commissioner from Precinct No. 1. Married Miss Lillian Lee Logan in Fort Worth, March 4, 1903, and to them four children have been born. He is a member of the Houston Club, the Country Club and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

PHINEAS SHIELD TILSON

Phineas Shield Tilson, M. S., analytical and consulting chemist, former Associate State Chemist of Texas, conductor of the Houston Laboratories, was born December 30, 1867, at Boston, Texas; educated at the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas and at the University of Chicago; twenty-four years a practicing chemist; April 16, 1902, married Miss Frances Parker of Bryan, Texas; member American Association for the Advancement of Science, Collaborating Chemist United States Department of Agriculture, member American Chemical Society, member Texas Cotton Seed Crushers Association; is an Elk and a Knight of Pythias and belongs to the Houston Country Club.

JOSEPH EDWIN FISHER

Joseph Edwin Fisher, president of the Modern Plumbing and Electric Company, president of the Modern Engine Company, owner of the Houston Wholesale Cigar Company and secretary-treasurer of the Seabrook Hunting and Fishing Club, was born in Seven Oaks, Texas, December 17, 1881, of old English stock, the son of Charles Nicholas Fisher and Elizabeth Ann Fisher, who emigrated from England. Having completed his schooling he became assistant secretary of the Houston Y. M. C. A., but in 1898 severed that connection and became an employe of the J. I. Campbell Lumber Company. In 1904 he accepted the management of the Modern Plumbing Company, owned by his father. Of this business, though he had at the start no knowledge of it, he made a complete success, and it was enlarged into the present Modern Plumbing & Electric Company. Is a member of the Seabrook Hunting and Fishing Club, the Houston Launch Club, the Houston Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club, the Adcraft Club and the Houston Press Club. He is unmarried.

MONTA BEACH

Monta Beach, two terms president of the American National Association of Masters of Dancing; born at Montrose, Iowa, October 4, 1861; educated in the public schools; studied dancing under E. Woodworth Masters of Boston; also under Claud M. Alvine of New York City, H. N. Grant of Buffalo, and others; taught dancing twenty years in North Texas and fifteen years in Houston. Member National Association of Masters of Dancing, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Elks, Ancient Order of United Workmen.

JOHN THOMAS CROTTY

John Thomas Crotty, president of the Republic Supply Company, was born in Dunkirk, N. Y., December 21, 1877. He was educated in the public schools of his native State. Soon after coming to Houston to live he organized and became president of the Republic Supply Company, dealers in oil-well supplies. Is a member of the Houston Club, the Thalian Club, the Country Club, and the Press Club.

WILLIAM GRASTON LOVE

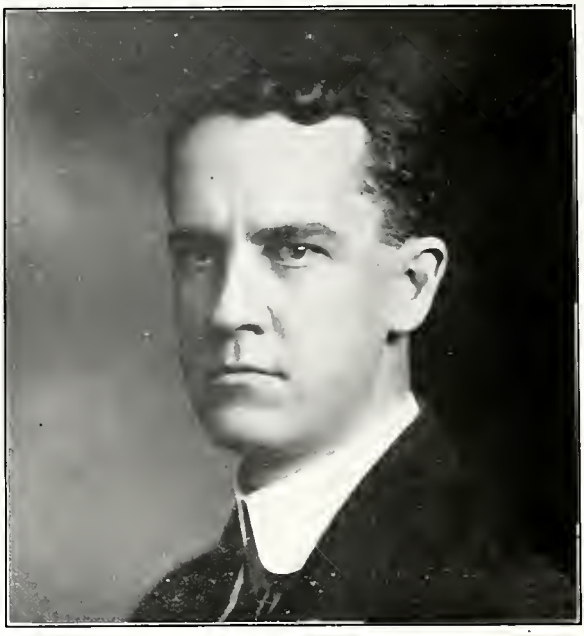
William Graston Love, lawyer and former District Attorney, was born January 17, 1869, in Dallas County, and was educated at Salado College and the University of Texas. Began the practice of law in 1889, was appointed District Attorney for Harris and Galveston Counties February, 1908, and the following November was elected to the same position, serving until the expiration of his term in 1911, when he voluntarily retired. Mr. Love was Mayor of Houston Heights for one term and served as President of the Houston Heights School Board for ten years. He is a member of the Houston Club, Knights of Pythias and Odd Fellows.

ARTHUR S. VANDERVOORT

Arthur S. Vandervoort was for four years cashier of the Lumbermans National Bank, and is still a director of that bank, and is also a director of the Guarantee Life Insurance Company and vice-president of the Continental Trust Company, also secretary and director of the Houston Building Company and manager of the Carter Building. He was born in Canada, August 16, 1870. When three years old he was brought by his parents to Houston and almost continuously since then he has lived here. He was educated in the Houston public schools. He has been actively engaged in the banking business twenty years, and is intimately identified with the direction and management of several of Houston's most important houses. Is married.

JAMES ROBERT THOMPSON

James Robert Thompson, treasurer of the Guarantee Life Insurance Company and secretary of the Continental Trust Company, was born in Nelsonville, Texas, Dec. 7, 1881. He attended the public schools of Nelsonville, and later the A. & M. College. He started his active business career in the drug business in Bellville, Texas, which he followed for nine years, after which he entered the Guarantee Life Insurance Company and was later elected treasurer of that company, and was also elected secretary of the Continental Trust Company. He was married in 1908 to Charlotte Doran. He is a member of the Masonic Order and the Elks.



HORTON W. COCHNOWER

Horton W. Cochnower, secretary, treasurer and actuary of the Guarantee Life Insurance Company, was born in Glendale, Ohio, February 3, 1876. In 1893 he entered the life insurance business and made himself thoroughly expert in that field. He has been the actuary of the Guarantee Life Insurance Company since its organization in 1906, and in 1912 he was elected secretary and treasurer of the organization. A Democrat. He is a member of the Actuarial Society of America, of the American Institute of Actuaries, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, of the Thalian Club, of the Turn Verein, and of the Houston Young Men's Christian Association.

G. G. MAURER

Gustavus Guy Maurer, manager of agencies, Guarantee Life Insurance Company; born May 2, 1876, in New York City; educated College of the City of New York; traveling freight and passenger agent Frisco Lines, New York; agent director Fort Worth Life Insurance Company; manager for Texas of National Life Insurance Company of U. S. A.; widely known in insurance circles.

R. M. COLQUITT

Rawlins Murrell Colquitt, superintendent of agents, Guarantee Life Insurance Company; born Terrell, Texas, April 22, 1887; son of Governor O. B. Colquitt; attended public schools of Terrell and Austin; graduate University of Texas, 1909; campaign manager during father's campaign for Governorship, 1910; manager speakers' bureau Statewide Anti-Prohibition campaign, 1911; managed father's campaign for re-election, 1912. Captain Texas National Guard; member various social clubs.

VERNON C. PAGE

Vernon C. Page, broker, was born at Ashland, Kansas, October 7, 1885; educated Kansas City, Mo., High School and Eclectic Medical College, Kansas City; engaged in brokerage business Kansas City, Mo., representing Northern and Eastern breweries; located in Houston January, 1913; organized Old Fashion Lager Beer Company, Inc. General Southwestern representative of various Eastern and Northern manufacturing concerns. Member Moose Lodge.

HENRY ALBRECHT

Henry Albrecht, District Clerk of Harris County, was born in Houston February 26, 1867; son of Conrad and Lizette Albrecht; is serving sixth term as District Clerk. Before entering politics Mr. Albrecht was Houston manager of the Goggan Piano Company. He is a member of the Houston Turn Verein, the Elks, the Knights of Pythias, Woodmen of the World, Red Men, Chamber of Commerce and various other organizations and Lodges. Married Miss Madeline Bernius of New Orleans, June 4, 1890.

JOSEPH J. PASTORIZA

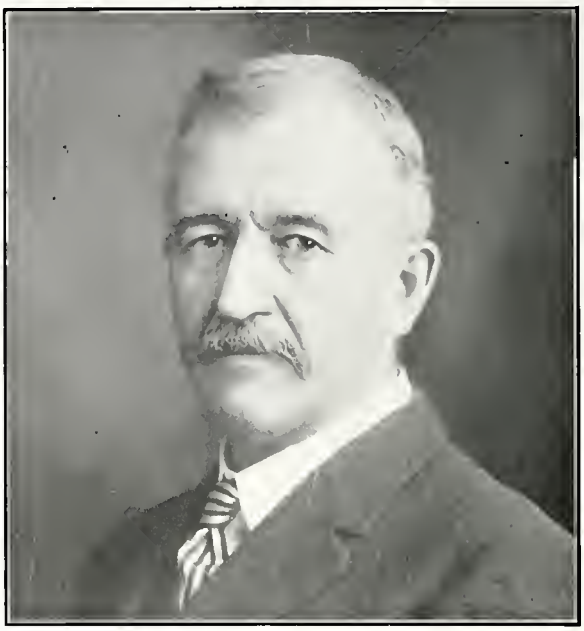
Joseph J. Pastoriza, Tax Commissioner of the City of Houston, born New Orleans 1857; educated Fitzgerald's Academy, Houston. Started in printing and stationery business here, 1879, with a few hundred dollars he had saved; built up large business and in 1906 sold it out and retired. Ardent believer in Henry George theory of single tax and has contributed generous funds for its propagation. 1911 elected City Commissioner of Houston and appointed Tax Commissioner by City Council; re-elected 1913, leading entire Municipal ticket with largest majority ever given candidate for that office. In his first term caused City to adopt Somers system of taxation, which is not really a system of taxation but of land valuation and equalization; to the Somers system he added what has become known as the Houston system—viz: land was first valued at 100 cents on the dollar, buildings were assessed at 25 cents on the dollar, and personal property, such as cash and all household effects in the hands of individuals, was totally exempt from taxation; public service corporations were assessed a franchise tax for use of the streets which amounted to nearly $2,000,000 assessment. Results of adoption of combined Somers and Pastoriza (or Houston) system were: 1. Revenue of City was increased $400,000 per annum; 2. Assessed values of all property were increased $33,000,000; 3. Rate was reduced from $1.70 to $1.50 on hundred dollars; 4. Due to this just equalization nearly 5,000 people paid less taxes in 1912 than they did before. Several other cities in Texas, and Atlanta, Ga., have adopted this improved system since its value was demonstrated in Houston.

THOMAS W. BROWNE

Thomas W. Browne, Tax Assessor and Collector of the City of Houston and well-known public official, was born in Houston November 26, 1873. He was educated in private schools and engaged in the railroad service as clerk with the Southern Pacific in 1888, where he worked for three years; later with Houston & Texas Central and M. K. & T.; in District Clerk's office since 1898 except brief time during Spanish-American War; appointed Chief Clerk in District Clerk's office 1902; appointed Tax Assessor and Collector of the City of Houston by Mayor Ben Campbell, April 25, 1913. Married February 14, 1900, to Miss Gertrude Duggan.

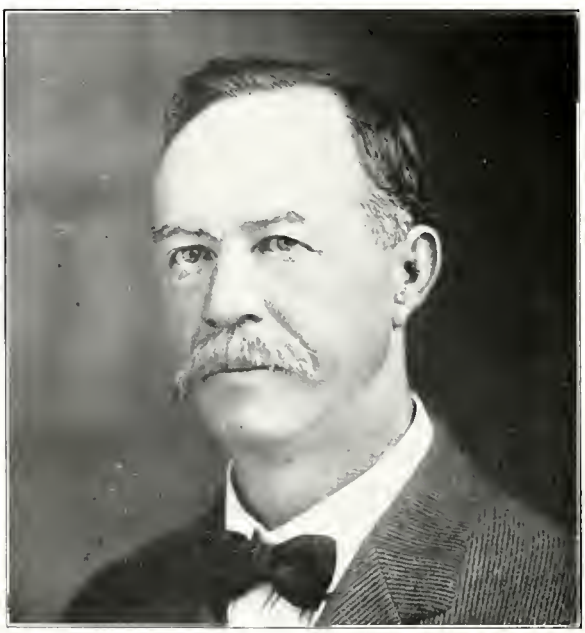
EDWIN T. DUMBLE

Edwin Theodore Dumble, geologist, born Madison, Ind., March 28, 1852; educated private schools of Houston and at Washington and Lee University; in mercantile business Houston 1874 to 1887; State Geologist of Texas 1887 to 1897; consulting geologist Southern Pacific Railway from 1897 to date; Vice-President Rio Bravo Oil Company; Vice-President East Coast Oil Company; Fellow Geological Society of America, American Association for the Advancement of Science, Texas Academy of Science; member American Institute of Mining Engineers, Mining and Metallurgical Society of America, California Academy of Science, Texas Historical Society, Houston Country Club, Z Z Club.



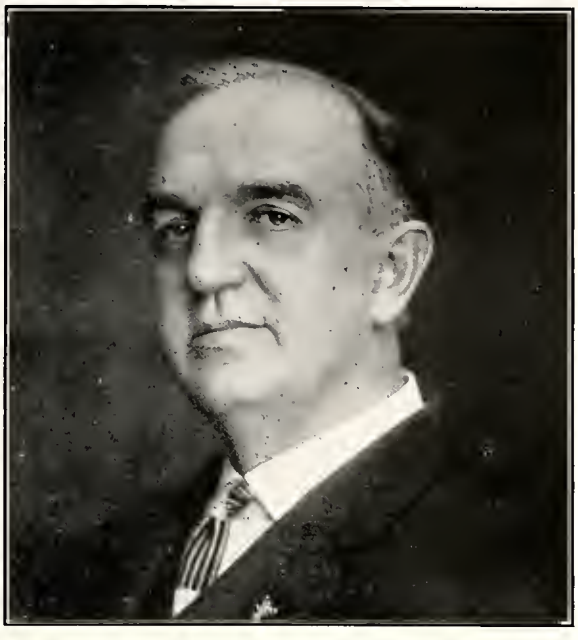
EDWARD J. PERRY

Edward J. Perry, undertaker, proprietor Wall & Stabe Company undertaking establishment and well-known Houston business man, was born at Leavenworth, Kansas, March 31, 1860, and educated at St. Mary's College, Montreal, Canada; removed to Texas in 1873, locating at Denison, where he engaged in the manufacturing business; removed to Houston in 1894 and engaged in brokerage business until 1909, when he purchased business of Wall & Stabe Company and is now sole proprietor of the firm. Mr. Perry was married to Miss Louise Scott of Sherman April 23, 1889. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus.



GEORGE JONES

George Jones, County Clerk of Harris County, is probably the County's best known official, as well as one of its most valued. Having spent years in public service as a Deputy in the County Clerk's office, when he was elected County Clerk he at once set about systematizing the work of that office, and has succeeded in placing it on a plane of high efficiency and convenience to the public. Mr. Jones devotes his personal time and attention to the office he holds and is literally, day in and day out, "at the service of the public which chose him."

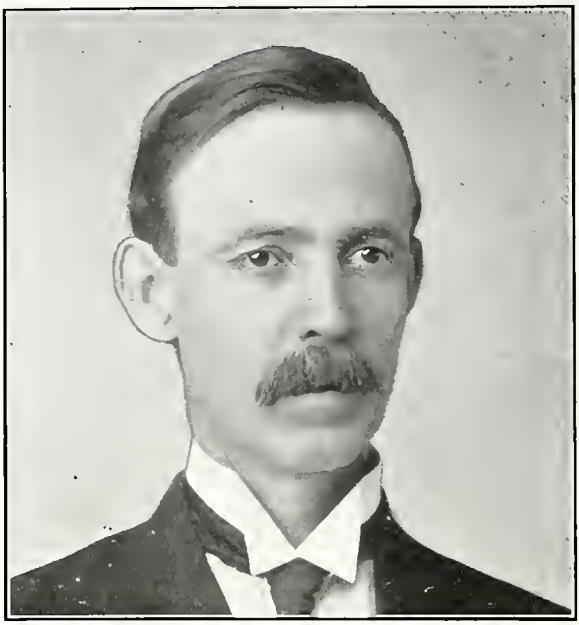


EDWARD C. MORRISSEY

Edward C. Morrissey, manager City Auditorium and well-known business man, was born at Jackson, Mich., January 3, 1858, and educated at St. Mary's College, Dayton, Ohio. Mr. Morrissey's first business venture was in the shoe business in his native city of Jackson where he conducted a large establishment for twenty years. During this time he served as a member of the Jackson Municipal Council and was urged to make the race for Mayor, but declined and was later appointed postmaster of Jackson by President Cleveland during his last administration. Mr. Morrissey disposed of his shoe business in 1903 and removed to Houston where he has since been actively identified with the business and commercial interests of the city. He was appointed manager of the City Auditorium by Mayor Ben Campbell, April 25, 1913. During the recent municipal campaign Mr. Morrissey was an active supporter of Mayor Ben Campbell and his efforts materially aided in the election of the progressive ticket. He was prominently mentioned fo- the position of Chief of Police and City Tax Assessor and Collector, but der clined to make any attempt to get either appointment and accepted the managership of the Municipal Auditorium.

THOMAS MILTON PARISH

Thomas Milton Parish, manager Draughon's Practical Business College and well known among Houston business men, was born in Troy, Alabama, May 18, 1881; educated public schools of Troy and Alabama State Normal; with Draughon's Business College since 1906; manager of Montgomery and Atlanta branches in Houston since January, 1911; married Miss Effie Lyle of Atlanta, August 4, 1908.



PAUL WHITFIELD HORN

Paul Whitfield Horn, Superintendent of the City Schools of Houston born Boonville, Mo, April 30, 1870, son of the Rev. George W. Horn of Kentucky and Mrs. Mattie (Myers) Horn of Missouri; educated public schools of Missouri and graduated (1888) from Central College, Fayette, Mo., with degree of A. M. Two years principal of High School at Sherman and seven years Superintendent of Schools there; last nine years Superintendent of City Schools of Houston. Co-author of "New Century Spelling Book," adopted by State of Texas for five years and re-adopted for six years more; co-author "Schoolroom Essentials," author of "Best Things in Our Schools." Has taught education in Summer Schools of Texas and Tulane University, this summer will teach in School of the South, Knoxville, Tenn. Has written extensively for St. Louis Globe-Democrat, Chicago Record, Philadelphia Record, New York Sun, Youth's Companion. Married Miss Maud Keith of Cleveland, Tenn., 1891; one daughter, Miss Ruth Horn. Is a member of Rotary Club and Southern Benevolent League.

FRED C. SEIBERT

Chief Fred C. Seibert, of the Houston Fire Department, was born in New Orleans, La., March 26, 1878, and educated in the New Orleans public schools. He came to Houston in 1892 and soon afterward became a member of the Houston Fire Department, starting in at the bottom and working himself up to the top, and at various times serving in every capacity of the department until he was appointed Chief by Mayor Ben Campbell, April 22, 1913. Chief Seibert was married to Mrs. Ella Waterhouse of Houston, December 7, 1899. He is a member of the Woodmen of the World, the Maccabees and Eagles.

DANIEL WILLETT

Daniel Willett, vice-president Star Engraving Company, was born February 13, 1881, at Brandenburg, Kentucky; reared on the farm and attended public schools, graduating from the Brandenburg High School at 19 years of age; attended Central University at Danville, Ky., two years; entered employment of J. W. Robinson, Norton & Co., Louisville, in 1901 and remained with that house in various capacities, resident and on the road, more than seven years; 1907-1909 represented Young, Smyth, Field & Company of Philadelphia as traveling salesman in Kentucky and Ohio; has been four years a resident of Texas and two years of Houston, an 18th degree Mason. December 19, 1906, Mr. Willett married Miss Mabel Rose Shacklette of Brandenburg, Ky.

W. P. HOBBY

General Manager *Beaumont Enterprise* and
Waco Morning News.

L. W. MACATEE

Leonard W. Macatee, general manager W. L. Macatee & Sons, president Macatee Hotel Company and prominent Houston capitalist and business man, was born in Houston October 27, 1869. He attended the public schools, St. Edward's College, Austin, and Notre Dame University, Notre Dame, Ind. Upon leaving college Mr. Macatee engaged in business with his father and is now actively in charge of the company, one of Houston's largest corporations. He is also president of the Macatee Hotel Company, the company owning and operating the Macatee Hotel; a director in the Macatee Corporation, trustee Houston-La Porte Interurban Company, and a member of the executive board of the National Builders Supply Association. He is a member of the Houston Club, the Country Club and Knights of Columbus.

JOHN NICHOLS MURPHY

John Nichols Murphy, representative at Houston of foreign and domestic steel manufacturers, was born January 17, 1878, at San Francisco, California; e lucated by private tutors and graduated from St. Joseph College at Emmitsburg, Md., from Yale University class of 1898, and from the University of Michigan class of 1901. Employed with the United States Steel Corporation 1905-1912; engaged in business for himself in January of 1913 as sales representative of steel manufacturers. Spent two and one-half years traveling through Europe and the United States. Son of Michael Murphy and Mrs. Alice Murphy. Member of the Houston Club, Houston Country Club, Z Z Club, and the Oleander Club of Galveston. Unmarrie l.

JUDGE JNO. W. HORNSBY

Judge Jno. W. Hornsby, well-known attorney and probably one of the most widely-known citizens of Texas, was born at Hornsby, Travis County, Texas, January 8, 1870, son of Malcolm M. and Leonona M. Hornsby. He was graduated from Trinity University, class of 1888, and was married to Miss Florence C. Stanley June 20, 1893. They have two children, Miss Hazel and Stanley Calhoun. After leaving Trinity University Judge Hornsby worked in the Sheriff's and Tax Assessor's office of Travis County and served as County Clerk of Travis County from 1894 to 1902; was County Judge from 1904 to 1908. He removed to Houston in 1909 to become land and tax commissioner of the Kirby Lumber Company. Later he resigned to engage in the general law practice in Houston; is a member of the Elks, Knights of Pythias and various clubs and societies.

ROBERT C KERR

Robert C. Kerr, florist, president of the R. C. Kerr Floral Company, and well-known Houston business man, was born near McKinney in Collin County, Texas, September 5, 1878. He was educated in the public schools of Sherman, later attending the A. & M. College, graduating in 1904, and soon thereafter engaged in the floral business with his father in Houston. In 1904 Mr. Kerr engaged in business on his own account on an extensive scale and organized the R. C. Kerr Floral Company, the largest concern of its kind in South Texas. The company has been very successful and was recently made official florists for the new Rice Hotel and the Bender Hotel, the former being the largest contract ever awarded in Houston. The company has ten acres of land under cultivation and devoted exclusively to its greenhouses. The offices and salesrooms of the company are located at 2415 Travis Street. Mr. Kerr was married to Miss Cornelia Vance of Navasota, Texas, July 24, 1901. He is a member of the Rotary Club of Houston.

FRANK J. HUEY

Frank J. Huey, certified public accountant, was born in New Orleans, La., April 1, 1874; came to Houston in 1880, and was educated in the Houston public schools. In 1889 he entered the accounting department of the Southern Pacific Railroad and was there employed ten years; 1899 he became auditor of the Cane Belt Railroad; later chief clerk for the Kirby Lumber Company at Houston; for four years filled the position of auditor of the People's Independent Rice Mills and associated mills and canal companies of Crowley, La., and New Orleans, La. In 1906 Mr. Huey was sent to South America as auditor of the Guayquil & Quito Railroad, and he was there engaged two years in installing a modern system of railroad accounting. He returned to New Orleans to handle the receivership accounts of the Camp-Hinton Lumber Company for the Hibernia Bank & Trust Company, receivers, and while carrying out this work was certified a public accountant by the Louisiana Board of Public Accounting. Came to Houston in 1909 and engaged in the public accounting business for himself. One of his first big contracts then was installing a municipal accounts system for the City of Fort Worth in 1910. The past two years Mr. Huey has been making a thorough audit of the books of the Texas State penitentiary system and other departments of the State Government and his skill and integrity have made him widely known within and beyond Texas. September 30, 1896, Mr. Huey married Miss Adele Robinson Tinsley. He is a member of the Houston Club and the Hoo Hoos.

EDWARD J. WILEY

Edward James Wiley, promoter, stock and bond broker, born Greensboro, Ala.; educated public schools; engaged in newspaper work Georgia and Alabama until 1900; entered stock and bond business in Chicago; resident of Houston three years; active as promoter of large industrial and commercial enterprises; president of E. J. Wiley Company, promoters and stock brokers; address: Southern Pacific Building, Houston.

SAMUEL H. WILLIAMS

Samuel H. Williams, certified public accountant, member of the firm of Huey & Williams, was born at Alexandria, La., in December of 1873, and graduated from Thatcher Institute, Shreveport, La. From 1897 to 1904 he was bookkeeper and cashier at New Orleans for the National Biscuit Company, then entered business on his own account in that city as a merchandise broker, 1904-1907; engaged in the accounting department of the Southern Pacific Railroad 1904-1907; had charge of special audit of station accounts at New Orleans after the strike of the clerks in 1906, an undertaking which entailed about three and one-half years' time of himself and seven men. In 1911 Mr. Williams associated himself with F. J. Huey in the business of certified public accounting, of which the firm has made a substantial and gratifying success. The City of Bryan audit and the installation there of a municipal system of accounts; the Brazos County audit, and the auditing of the affairs of many large firms and corporations, have brought the firm prominently before the business public. Mr. Williams is a member of the Knights of Columbus and Chamber of Commerce.

L. L. PUGH

L. L. Pugh, Superintendent of the Schools of Harris County, Texas, was born May 16, 1873, at Parkersville, Ill. He was educated in the rural schools and afterwards attended the Southern Collegiate Institute, Albion, Ill., and also the State Normal School. Spent about twelve years in the schoolroom before entering into the office of County Superintendent of Public Instruction; the last three years in the schoolroom were spent as principal of the school at Harrisburg. In 1904 he was appointed Superintendent of the Schools of Harris County and has continually held the office up to the present time. He is a member of the Houston Turn Verein, the Moose, the Knights of Pythias, the Woodmen of the World, and several other social and benevolent lodges.

J. W. KYLE

James Watkins Kyle, investor and newspaperman; born Cincinnati, Ohio, October 20, 1852; educated by private tutor, Miami Military Academy and Dayton, Ohio, Columbia College (now George Washington University), Washington, D. C.; engaged in wholesale grain business for several years in Baltimore; in newspaper work since 1875 on Kansas City Times and Rocky Mountain News and other prominent papers in editorial capacity; resident of Texas for 30 years; president Buyers and Sellers Exchange, Houston.

NEW MAJESTIC THEATRE

KARL HOBLITZELLE
PRESIDENT INTERSTATE AMUSEMENT COMPANY

KARL HOBLITZELLE, president of the Interstate Amusement Company, lessee of the New Majestic Theatre, Houston, and one of the strong men among the younger theatrical masters of the country, was born in St. Louis October 22, 1879, and was educated in the public schools of that city. He is descended in direct line from Governor Ogel of Virginia; his mother's family, the Knapps of St. Louis, founded the Missourian Republic, now the St. Louis Republic, and still own that great newspaper.

About the time that Hazen Pingree caught the country's eye with his soon famous potato patch young Hoblitzelle leased a similar patch from his father and soon was making it pay like a young gold mine, selling extra fancy potatoes and cucumbers to the St. Louis markets at top prices. Refused a re-lease by his father, he got a job at $5 a week with the St. Louis World's Fair Association, and by his energy and genius for business worked up from that humble beginning to be assistant director of works of the Fair and then acting director of works.

The exposition closed, Mr. Hoblitzelle engaged himself to the Interstate Amusement Company, determined to master the vaudeville business. He rose to his present position of president in a short time. The company controls at this writing the following theatres: At Houston, Texas, the Majestic; East St. Louis, Majestic; Little Rock, Ark., Majestic; Fort Worth, Texas, Majestic; Dallas, Texas, Majestic; Oklahoma City, Okla., Folly; Birmingham, Ala., Majestic; Fort Smith, Ark., New Theatre; Tulsa, Okla., Wonderland; Chicago, Plaza; San Antonio, Texas, Plaza; Jacksonville, Fla., Orpheum; Cairo, Ill., Kimmel; Hot Springs, Ark., Princess; Muskogee, Okla., New Broadway; St. Louis, Hamilton; Memphis, Tenn., Princess; Alton, Ill., New Lyric; Waxahachie, Texas, Majestic; New Iberia, La., Elks; Wichita Falls, Texas, Majestic; Wichita, Kan., Empress; New Orleans, Lafayette.

THE NEW RICE HOTEL

THE formal opening of the New Rice Hotel, May, 1913, of this year, was an event of great brilliance socially, prominent persons from all over the South having come to Houston by invitation to be present.

The New Rice, largest and finest hotel in the Southwest, was built with Houston capital at an expenditure of $3,000,000 under the leadership of Jesse H. Jones. Eighteen floors in height and surmounted by a roof garden, it looks clear out over the city's tallest skyscrapers and its bulk is visible from miles outside Houston.

The hotel is constructed of steel skeleton enclosed with brick and terra cotta walls, with reinforced concrete floors and roof; it justifies to the full the term "fireproof." Architecturally the structure is one of great dimensions and dignity of outline. Of course the most scientific and modern skill has been employed in those arrangements by which are assured safety, sanitation and comfort. One of the most pleasing features is a perfectly appointed and luxurious Turkish bath establishment in the basement, with large swimming pool and complete gymnasium attached.

The interior decorations are artistically elegant. There are 525 rooms, delightfully furnished.

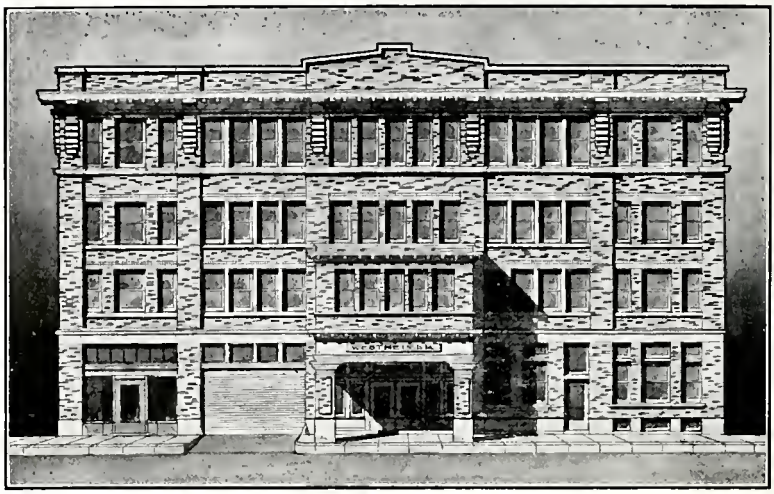
Situated at the intersection of Main Street and Texas Avenue, the New Rice is in the very heart of Houston's shopping district.

INTERIOR KIESLING'S DRUG STORE

ADOLPH E. KIESLING

ADOLPH E. KIESLING, druggist, is a native of Houston and a graduate of the Maryland College of Pharmacy, 1889. He entered the drug business in 1881 with E. Erlenmeyer, an eminent chemist. The Kiesling Drug Store in Houston is today recognized as one of the leading drug stores in the State. In point of service and equipment it is not surpassed. Especially is this true of the prescription department, to which Mr. Kiesling devotes most of his time.

Mr. Kiesling represents in Houston the United Drug Company, in which he is a stockholder. It is considered by pharmacists an honor and privilege to be a member of the United Drug Company, as the members are selected by the organization itself.



WESTHEIMER'S UNDERTAKING ESTABLISHMENT

SID WESTHEIMER
CAPITALIST

SID WESTHEIMER, capitalist, dairyman, undertaker, and breeder of fancy Jersey cattle, one of the best known business men of Houston, was born March 4, 1860, in Baden, Germany, and came to America in 1874, settling in Houston, where he has since become one of the city's foremost men of affairs. In 1883 Mr. Westheimer engaged in the transfer business, and through his fair treatment and honorable dealings built up extensive patronage. In 1894 embarked in the undertaking business and is everywhere regarded as one of the most progressive and successful undertakers in the State. His new building, soon to be completed, will be the finest undertaking establishment in the South, and his automobile ambulance and hearse service has long been considered far in advance of that furnished by any other undertaker in Texas.

Of recent years Mr. Westheimer has devoted considerable time and money to the breeding of fancy Jersey cattle, and is one of the few breeders in the country owning a thoroughbred herd of the purest blood. All males in service are Island bred. This herd is regarded as the finest in Texas.

Mr. Westheimer was married May 19, 1902, to Miss Lola Spiers. He is a member of the Sons of Herman, Knights of Pythias, the Odd Fellows, the Maccabees, the Fraternal Brotherhood, the Red Men, the Eagles, the Moose, and numerous other social and fraternal organizations.

HOUSTON SHOW CASE & MFG. COMPANY

THE Houston Show Case & Manufacturing Company, with extensive plant at Washington and Harvard Streets and large lumber yards and warehouse at Harvard and Center Streets, Houston, is noted throughout this section of the Southwest for the durability and distinctive elegance of its products—show cases and bank, bar, drug, store and office fixtures. For many years the company has conducted an extensive and steadily growing business. Many of the handsomest interior furnishings and embellishments in Southern business houses are from the factory of the Houston Show Case & Manufacturing Company.

The officers of the company are: President, John Guinan; vice-president, L. E. Taylor; secretary and treasurer and general manager, Daniel D. Orr.

INTERIOR J. L. MITCHELL JEWELRY STORE

614 FANNIN STREET

The Oldest Legitimate Retail Jeweler in Houston

GRAHAM HAT COMPANY

The Graham Hat Company was organized in January, 1910, with capital stock paid up of $40,000, and has experienced an increased business each year of its existence. The capital stock was increased in April, 1913, to $55,000 and a cash dividend of 6%, and stock dividend of 10%, was declared.

The Graham Hat Company does an exclusive wholesale business in Hats, Caps and Gloves and is the fastest growing wholesale Hat house in the United States.

Officers are John W. Graham, President and Treasurer; C. H. Pilney, Vice-President; and L. M. Gillman, Secretary.

Offices and warerooms 418-420 Louisiana Street.

HOUSTON ICE & BREWING COMPANY

THE Houston Ice & Brewing Company, which owns and operates the Magnolia Brewery, the largest in the South, covering four acres of ground, was organized twenty-one years ago by Hugh Hamilton, who is, and throughout the entire period has been, its managing head. The officers are:

President, Hugh Hamilton; vice-president, H. Baldwin Rice; secretary and treasurer, R. L. Autry.

The capital stock of the company is $300,000, not one dollar of which is owned outside of Texas.

The capacity of the huge plant is 175,000 barrels of brewed beer annually, and the storage capacity is 50,000 barrels. Richelieu, Southern Select and the standard keg product are brewed.

R. L. AUTRY

Robert Lee Autry, vice-president, manager and treasurer of Houston Ice & Brewing Company, oil operator and ice manufacturer, was born at Vera Cruz, Mexico, November, 1865; Spanish-American parentage; educated in private schools. Resident of Houston for twenty-seven years and officer of and director in various corporations; with Houston Ice & Brewing Company since 1891; secretary Christian Oil Company, Batson, La., and secretary of Bryan Ice Company, Bryan, Texas. Democrat. Married Miss Nettie Stuvenrauch of Houston, November 18, 1885. Has four children, Herbert S., Max, Miss Carmen, and Mrs. R. R. Lewis. Member Houston Club, Houston Press Club, Houston Country Club and Turn Verein.

FRANTZ BROGNIEZ

Frantz Brogniez, superintendent and brewmaster of the Magnolia Brewery (the largest brewing plant in the South); born at Baume, Belgium, October 26 1860; educated in the arts and sciences at the University of Louvain; established in 1884 at Lichtervelde, Belgium, a brewery and an institute of brewing; came to the United States 1896, established at Detroit the Tivoli Brewing Company; 1904 in charge of erection of plant of the People's Brewing Company, Terre Haute, now one of the best breweries in Indiana; came to Houston in March of 1912 and was made superintendent and brewmaster for the Houston Ice & Brewing Company (Magnolia Brewery); married at Detroit Miss Alida Grymonprez, who died in 1903; two children; married her sister, Miss Alice Grymonprez, in Detroit; one son. Is a Mason, an Elk, member of the Eagles, the German Club and the Young Business Men's Club.

CHARLES ELLIOT ASHE

Charles Elliot Ashe, Judge of the Fourteenth Judicial District (Houston), was born at Cedar Bayou, Harris County, Texas, September 17, 1866, the son of R. G. Ashe and Sallie S. Ashe. He was tutored at home and in the public schools and night schools, and later studied law under his uncle, Judge C. Anson Jones. Was admitted to the bar in the District Court of Harris County, Texas, in February of 1888 and practiced law in Houston until the Fall of 1900. He has been steadfastly a Democrat since his coming of age. Since the Fall of 1900 has occupied the Bench as Judge of the Fourteenth Judicial District. Married Miss Marion B. Szabo November 26, 1902; two children.

JUDGE W. H. WARD

W. H. Ward, County Judge of Harris County, was born at Augusta, Texas, April 4, 1880, son of Henry P. Ward and Mrs. Sophonia Ward; educated in the public schools of Houston and at the University of Texas; admitted to the bar in 1902; has since that time engaged in the practice of his profession at Houston. In November of 1912 was elected County Judge of Harris County. March 13, 1909, married Mrs. Hortense Malsch. Is a Woodman of the World, Modern Woodman of America, a Thirty-second Degree Mason, a Shriner, a Moose and a Maccabee, and a member of the Sharkands the Houston Club.

BURGE MANUFACTURING COMPANY

Prominent among the newer and fast-growing industrial houses of Houston is the Burge Manufacturing Company, makers of high-grade show cases, business fixtures and hardwood interior finishings for office buildings and residences. The company imports and keeps in stock a large supply of the finest of hardwoods, and by turning out only superior products has made for itself an enviable name in Houston and South Texas. Recently the company was awarded the contract to manufacture the interior furnishings and fixtures for the new offices of the Houston Light & Power Company. The officers of the Burge Manufacturing Company are: R. A. Burge, president and general manager; C. H. Meyers, vice-president; C. D. Woodburn, secretary and treasurer; O. H. Heblen, plant superintendent.

TEXAS BITULITHIC COMPANY

The Texas Bitulithic Company, makers of the famous Bitulithic pavements, was organized under the laws of Texas in 1906 and has operated in this State since organization; capital, $100,000. It operates six large plants and is the largest paving contracting concern in Texas; principal office located in Dallas, with branch offices in Houston, Fort Worth, El Paso, Austin and Waco. Since organization has constructed over 120 miles of roadway within the State, and for this year has under contract over 40 miles of roadway to be constructed. Among the cities where roadways were constructed by this company are Dallas, Fort Worth, Paris, Greenville, Abilene, El Paso, Austin, Houston, Beaumont and Marshall, Texas. The officers of the company are: A. H. Johnson, president; L. M. Dabney, vice-president; T. G. Kempster, treasurer. J. H. Pittman is the Southwestern manager with offices in the Union National Bank Building, Houston.

W. H. CHAPMAN

The Houston Lighting & Power Company, one of Houston's largest public service corporations, furnishing employment to two hundred skilled workmen and laborers, has attained its present high grade of service efficiency under the direction of its general manager, W. H. Chapman. It has been consistently and undeviatingly the aim and policy of this corporation to make every reasonable concession where the rights and comforts of the public were concerned—and to do this at a minimum cost to the consumer. Under the direction of Mr. Chapman the company is constantly making new and extensive improvements to insure still better service to the people. Mr. Chapman long has taken an active interest in all the public and civic affairs of Houston and in its social life. He is commonly accounted one of the city's most progressive and liberal-minded men.

FRANK A. HERVEY JR.

Frank Augustus Hervey Jr., president of the Bristol Hotel Company and widely known hotel man, was born in Opelika, Ala., March 14, 1876; son of Frank A. Hervey Sr.; resident of Houston for past seventeen years; married to Miss Lucy Bryan 1900; vice-president of Hervey Hotel Company, operating a chain of hotels in Mobile, Pensacola and other Southern cities.

TEXAS CITY—A TWENTIETH CENTURY WONDER

LITTLE short of marvelous is the growth of commerce and populaton at Texas City, Texas, the new mainland port on Galveston Bay, which in the brief period of nine years has sprung into world-wide importance as a port. In 1904, the first year as a port, 8,712 tons of freight, valued at $998,428, passed over its wharves; in 1912 the business had grown to 464,201 tons, valued at $63,100,635. During the same period population increased from 150 to 4,500 people.

Texas City's commerce covers a large range of commodities. In the foreign trade its business is largely cotton, grain and lumber for export, and coffee, fibers and palm leaf hats in imports. In 1904 practically no cotton was exported; in 1912 a total of 728,136 bales, valued at $43,293,982, was sent to foreign ports. In 1904, practically no grain products went out; in 1912 exports of these commodities reached in value $720,571, the movement of wheat alone amounting to 628,337 bushels. In volume the domestic, or coastwise, commerce amounted to nearly as much as the foreign business and is a very important branch of the port's business.

To date over $5,000,000 has been expended in building what is conceded to be the finest ocean terminal system south of New York. Fireproof construction characterizes the warehouses, while labor-saving machinery has been extensively installed to lower operating cost. The result is that Texas City offers the lowest insurance rates of any port on the Gulf and handles freight most economically. These advantages are largely responsible for the great increase of commerce, the coming of many distributing houses and industrial enterprises, and, incidentally, the growth of population.

Recognizing the growing importance of Texas City the United States Government is now engaged in expending $1,400,000 for the improvement of Texas City's harbor and increasing the depth of the channel from 25 to 30 feet. The completion of this work will give to the new port as fine a harbor as exists on the Gulf coast and will mark the beginning of a still more marvelous growth of commerce.

The unusually healthful climate, good artesian water and excellent terminal facilities possessed by Texas City have been recognized in the selection of this place as the mobilization point for two-thirds of the United States troops brought to Texas.

Texas City has the commission form of municipal government. Under this system a purely business administration is operative. The city has paved streets, low-level sewer system, waterworks, and electric lights. The location is ideal, being on the shore of Galveston Bay with an elevation of 14 feet, which makes it safe from storm.

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